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TRANSFER OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR RESOLUTION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST (CAR) YM-93-015 RESULTING FROM YUCCA MOUNTAIN QUALITY ASSURANCE DIVISION AUDIT YM-93-01 OF U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

Based on recent meetings with representatives of USGS and the Regulatory & Site Evaluation Division (RSED), it has been determined that the remaining actions (i.e., revision of Administrative Procedure (AP) 5.1Q) regarding CAR YM-93-015, are considered the responsibility of the RSED. As a result of these meetings, representatives of RSED agreed that AP 5.1Q needed to be revised to properly clarify when technical data is required to be controlled.

A copy of CAR YM-93-015 is enclosed for your action. Please provide the corrective action completion date indicating when you anticipate that the revision to AP 5.1Q will be completed and approved. Response to this letter is due within ten working days of the date of this letter. Send the original of your response to Nita J. Brogan, Science Applications International Corporation, Las Vegas, Nevada.

If you have any questions, please contact either Robert B. Constable at 794-7945 or Richard L. Maudlin at 794-7290.

Richard E. Spence, Director

Yucca Mountain Quality Assurance Division

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Enclosure: CAR YM-93-015

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- N. J. Brogan, SAIC, Las Vegas, NV

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CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST				
1 Controlling Document		<b>f</b>	Report No.	
AP 5.19Q, R2 AP5.1Q, R2		YMP-93	-01	
3 Responsible Organization	1	Discussed With		
USGS		Ardell Whiteside, R. Spangl	er <u> </u>	
5 Requirement:  AP 5.190, Step 8b, stated in part: "Data Supplier-If IMOU and/or PIRN have no impact on controlled documents and are acceptable, sign and return original signature document to the processor."				
AP 5.19Q, Step 11, states requester (send and contro	in part: "Data Suppli l data per AP-5.1Q	er-Compile and send data to	the	
AP 5.1Q, Step 2, states is participant data archive		eant- Submit the DPS to the a	ppropriate	
AP 5.1Q, Section 3.12 state System. The form is include	es in part: "The TDIE ed with DPSs and Data	is used to provide input Transmittal Packages."	to the ATDT	
6 Adverse Condition: Contrary to the above:				
(A) Acquired Data has been	n transmitted to LANI	without documented evidence	of processed IMOU.	
(B) Acquired Data has been prepared and Data ento	n transmitted to LANI ered into the Partici	without evidence of a TDIF   pant Data Archive.	peing	
Example: 6-10-91 "Pot	tental Sr-Isotope Str	atigraphy High-Silca Rhyolite	<b>.</b> ."	
10-12-92 "Isotope Stratigraphy in the Topopah Springs High-Silica Rhyolite"				
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<ul> <li>Does a significant condition</li> <li>adverse to quality exist? Yes Nox Yes N</li></ul>				
If Yes, Circle One: A B C If Yes, Circle One: A B C D		from issuance		
12 Required Actions: X Remed	dial X Extent of Deficie	ncy X Preclude Recurrence		
13 Recommended Actions: (A) Process IMOU and get number assigned prior to transmittal of Data				
(B) Transmit Acquired Data to PDA with TDIF				
(C) Evaluate status of all IMOUS between USGS and other participants. Assure all have been processed and have been assigned a number per AP 5.190				
7 Initiator		14 Issuance Approved by:		
R. L. Maudlin	/o-12-9: Date	QADD M. Saline	Date 1//3/92	
15 Response Accepted		16 Response Accepted		
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17 Amended Response Accepted		18 Amended Besponse Accep	-1- 120	
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19 Corrective Actions Verified		20 Closure Approved/by:	•	
QAR	Date	QADD	Date	

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- 13 Recommended Action(s) (continued)
  - (D) Evaluate all Data Transmitted to date and determine:
    (1) is there a valid IMOU for transmittal of this data

    - (2) has data been transmitted to PDA via TDIF prior to being sent to participant
  - (E) Determine cause of condition and what action would be taken to preclude recurrance

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## CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST (continuation sheet)

#### 1. YMP-USGS CORRECTIVE ACTION RESPONSE FOR CAR # YM-93-015

- A. <u>Remedial Actions</u> Remedial actions are not necessary for Corrective Action Request (CAR) YM-CAR-93-015.
- B. Investigative Action In order to examine the extent of the potential deficiency, the YMP-USGS has reevaluated the requirements of AP-5.19Q and AP-5.1Q; investigated various types of data releases; and coordinated and confirmed the results of the evaluation with the USGS Interface Control Working Group Representative (ICWG), USGS Data Management Coordinator, and Deputy Director of Regulatory and Site Evaluation Division, Yucca Mountain Project Office.

AP-5.19Q only applies to the identification, development, approval, control, and changes to Level C & D interfaces. This procedure addresses the control and release of a very specific type of data. An appropriate application of AP-5.19Q is when a product from one Level C and/or D system is requested as input to another Level C and/or D system or subsystem. A product can be defined as a final data package that is formal input to another investigation that can not proceed without the information (data) provided. For example, soil and rock properties data must be provided to RSN prior to the design of the surface facilities. AP-5.19Q does not apply to the collegial exchange of scientific information.

AP-5.1Q is utilized to control and ensure technical data to support the license application for repository construction are complete and retrievable. Technical data are defined in AP-5.1Q as data resulting from data acquisition or data development activities. Acquired technical data are further defined to be data that have been recorded and checked. Developed technical data are the results of reducing, analyzing, or interpreting acquired data. AP-5.1Q addresses the control and release of these specific types of data. AP-5.1Q does not apply to the data exchange cited in the CAR because the data were raw and unchecked. AP-5.1Q requires that data be checked before they are submitted to the Participant Data Archive (PDA).

There are additional types of data and data releases that do not fall under the control of AP-5.1Q or AP-5.19Q. Investigative actions have identified various types of data releases and their controls. It has been determined that the exchange of information cited in YM-CAR-93-015 fall under a category of preliminary scientific exchange. This type of scientific exchange is specified in Study Plan (SP) 8.3.1.4.2.1. The SP Section 1.1 (Information to be obtained and how that information will be used) states in part, "Some of the data necessary to determine rock correlation and spatial variability in this study plan is similar to data being collected at Los Alamos National Laboratory (Study 8.3.1.3.2.1, Mineralogy, petrology and rock chemistry of transport pathways; Study 8.3.1.3.2.2, History of mineralogical and geochemical alteration of Yucca Mountain). Likewise, geological interpretations from this study are essential

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for adequate characterization of the transport pathways being investigated elsewhere. Therefore, we envision close communication and information exchange with scientists at Los Alamos in areas of potential overlap (mineralogy, petrology and diagenesis) so that data sets collected by each group are unique and complementary."

During DOE Audit 93-01 discussions, the YMP-USGS stated that an AP-5.19Q IMOU existed to address scientific exchanges between the USGS and Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). Subsequent investigations confirmed that the draft IMOU to control this exchange was canceled by the USGS ICWG Representative and therefore was never fully approved. During the approval process it was determined that the IMOU was inappropriate.

- C. Root Cause Determination The requirements of AP-5.19Q were misunderstood by YMP-USGS staff.
- D. Corrective Action to Preclude Recurrence 1) The YMP-USGS QA Manager and the YMP-USGS Data Management Coordinator have received clarification of the requirements pertaining to AP-5.1Q and AP-5.19Q from YMPO officials. 2) Through involvement with this CAR the investigator is aware that future written communications should have a statement such as, "data are preliminary and should not be used in quality affecting work".
- 2. For each action above, identify the name of the individual assigned responsibility for completion and the anticipated (or actual, if complete) completion date.

T.H. Chaney completed investigative actions November 3, 1992. P.W. McKinley completed investigative actions November 4, 1992.

3. Response Approved:

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YMP-USGS Quality Assurance Manager



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EVALUATION OF RESPONSE TO CORRECTIVE ACTION REQUEST (CAR) YM-93-015 RESULTING FROM YUCCA MOUNTAIN QUALITY ASSURANCE DIVISION (YMQAD) AUDIT YMP-93-01 OF U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

The YMQAD staff has evaluated the response to CAR YM-93-015. The response to Parts A, B, and C has been determined to be unsatisfactory because:

- Part A states that there is no remedial action necessary. Based on Items 2 through 3 below, USGS must provide remedial actions to resolve the noted conditions described in CAR YM-93-015.
- 2. Part B of your response states in part: (1) that a product can be defined as a final data package that is formal input to another investigation, that cannot proceed without the information (data) provided; (2) Administrative Procedure (AP) 5.19Q does not apply to the collegial exchange of scientific information; (3) AP-5.1Q does not apply to the data exchange as cited in the CAR because it is considered raw data and is unchecked; and (4) the exchange cited in the CAR falls under the category of preliminary scientific exchange.

The definitions (i.e., final data package, collegial exchange, and preliminary scientific exchange) for the data which you provided to Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) can not be found in either AP-5.1Q or AP-5.19Q.

AP-5.1Q is explicit as to its applicability for the control of technical data. AP-5.1Q, Section 1.1 (Purpose) states: "This procedure establishes requirements and assigns responsibilities for the control and transfer of Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project (YMP) technical data. Data control and transfer begin at data acquisition, through measurement by YMP Participant Staff, . . . or any other means except for data generated outside the YMP." Section 2.0 (Applicability) states in part: "This procedure applies to the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project Office (YMPO) and all YMP Participants who acquire, manipulate. or disseminate technical data."

Based on the statement above, any technical data in any form shall comply with the controls specified in AP-5.1Q. Any interpretations to the intent of the requirements in YMPO APs must be established in writing by those who have authority to make the interpretations. AP-5.1Q is clear that data shall be controlled at the beginning of data acquisition. There are no stipulations that data need not be controlled until after the participant makes the decision that it is complete and is checked as stated in AP-5.1Q, Section 3.3 (Data Acquisition). USGS should take immediate action to transmit the data referenced in CAR YM-93-015 to the Participant Data Archive via a Technical Data Information Form as required by AP-5.1Q.

Part B of your response states in part that the data transferred to LANL was unchecked. It appears that another potential violation exists in that the data transferred to LANL was not checked as required by AP-5.1Q, Section 3.3 (Data Acquisition). If this is the case, USGS should take the necessary action to document this condition adverse to quality and implement the necessary corrective action.

3. Part B of your response states in part that AP-5.19Q only applies to the identification, development, approval, control, and changes to Level C and D interfaces. This procedure addresses the control and release of a very specific type of data.

AP-5.19Q, Section 3.3 (Informational/Organizational Interface) states in part: "An informational interface, also referred to as an organizational interface, is a controlled process used to officially request, document, and transfer information between various YMP organizations (Participant) that must share and/or transfer information. This information is usually technical in nature (e.g., scientific data) and is used in technical studies . ..."

AP-5.19Q does not make any reference to the specific type of data you refer to in your response. USGS should take immediate action to finalize the Interoffice Memorandum of Understanding between USGS and LANL for the exchange of technical data.

4. Part D of your response discusses the use of a statement regarding preliminary data. This is not consistent with current requirements. Neither AP-5.1Q nor AP-5.19Q discuss preliminary data.

Based on the YMPO-approved requirements stated in the AP-5.1Q and AP-5.19Q, USGS should take immediate action to bring the transmittal of technical data, as referenced in CAR YM-93-015, into compliance with these requirements or request a revision to AP-5.1Q and AP-5.19Q to be consistent with present practices.

It is requested that USGS management reevaluate their response in light of the aforementioned options, and respond indicating the action taken.

An amended response to Parts A, B, and C is required to be submitted to this office within ten working days of the date of this letter. Send the original of your response to Nita J. Brogan, Science Applications International Corporation, Las Vegas, Nevada. If an extension to the due date is necessary, it must be requested in writing, with appropriate justification, prior to that date.

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T. H. Chaney completed investigative actions November 3, 1992.

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DAR submitted to YMPO, letter Hayes to Gertz, January 25, 1993. DAR accepted or rejected by YMPO, and an ICN issued March 1, 1993.

3. Responses Approved:

L.R. Hayes, Chief Aucca Mountain Project Branch

Date

T.H. Chaney, YMP-USGS Quality Assurance Manager

Date



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January 25, 1993

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ATTENTION: Russ Dyer, Director,

Regulatory and Site Evaluation Division

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Document Action Request Regarding AP 5.1Q

Enclosed please find a document control request (DAR) concerning Administrative Procedure AP 5.1Q, Control and Transfer of Technical Data on the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Project.

Sincerely,

L. R. Hayes, Technical Project Officer, Yucca Mountain Project Branch

MHM/LRH/aa Enclosure

cc: T. H. Chaney

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#### 6. DESCRIPTION OF ACTION REQUESTED:

The following statements in AP-5.1Q, Rev. 2 need to be clarified. These statements also appear in AP-5.1Q, Rev. 3, Draft D.

### Section 1.0 Purpose

current wording: Data control and transfer begin at data acquisition, through measurement by YMP Participant staff, procurement through subcontractors, interagency agreements, or any other means except for data generated outside the YMP.

suggested change: Data control begins at the completion of data acquisition. Data are obtained through measurements by YMP Participant staff, procurement through subcontractors, interagency agreements, or any other means except for data generated outside the YMP.

#### Section 3.0 Definitions

## 3.3 Data Acquisition

current wording: Data acquisition is complete when the data have been recorded and checks can be performed to determine that the data have been acquired according to applicable technical procedures and instrumentation used in collection was operating properly.

suggested change: Data acquisition is complete when the data have been recorded and checks <u>have been</u> performed to determine that the data have been acquired according to applicable technical procedures and instrumentation used in collection was operating properly.

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