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Mr. Joseph J. Holonich, Chief
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Holonich:

Some weeks ago, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board informed the Department of Energy (DOE) that it had received an anonymous concern regarding the imminent grouting of Drillhole UZ-14. The Board subsequently passed the text of the concern to DOE. The concern was referred to the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management Quality Concerns Program, which subsequently conducted an investigation.

Enclosed for your information is the final report for this concern, Quality Concern No. 93-019, from the Quality Concerns investigation. The investigation was conducted by an extremely experienced individual, Mr. Peter Aberle, who has no ties to the project.

Based on the content and conclusions of Mr. Arberle's report, no further action is anticipated regarding this concern.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Skuchko of my office at (202) 586-4590.

Sincerely,

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Associate Director for
Systems and Compliance
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