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**OFFICE OF CIVILIAN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT (OCRWM) QUALITY ASSURANCE (QA) AUDIT K/PB-ARP-97-11 OF THE CIVILIAN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATING CONTRACTOR'S (CRWMS M&O) IN SUPPORT OF THE YUCCA MOUNTAIN SITE CHARACTERIZATION PROJECT AT KIEWIT/PARSONS BRINCKERHOFF (KIEWIT/PB)**

Enclosed is the report of OCRWM QA audit K/PB-ARP-97-11. The audit was conducted by the Office of Quality Assurance (OQA) at Kiewit/PB in Las Vegas, Nevada, during the period of February 24-28, 1997.

The audit team determined that process controls implemented by Kiewit/PB for the development, completion, and turnover of Kiewit/PB Work Packages (WP) in support of the "First Access Topopah Springs Excavation," were effective. However, adequacy of completed WPs is considered indeterminate, since adequacy will ultimately be determined by the Architect/Engineer.

During the course of the audit, the audit team generated one Deficiency Report (DR), which was issued to the CRWMS M&O under separate cover.

The audit is considered completed and closed as of the date of this letter. However, the open DR will continue to be tracked until it has been closed to the satisfaction of the QA representative and the Director, OQA.

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