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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION NOTIFICATION OF THE RATIFICATION OF THE REVISED *PROCEDURAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY IDENTIFYING GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR INTERFACE DURING GEOLOGIC SITE INVESTIGATION AND SITE CHARACTERIZATION" AND THE "AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF CIVILIAN RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT AND THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION DIVISION OF HIGH-LEVEL WASTE MANAGEMENT DURING SITE CHARACTERIZATION PROGRAMS AND PRIOR TO THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTRUCT A REPOSITORY"

Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Agency:

- Action: Notice of Availability of the Ratification of the revised Procedural Agreement and Repository Project-Specific Agreement between NRC and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
- Summary: On August 25, 1983, NRC published a Federal Register notice (Vol. 48, No. 166, pp. 38701-38702) regarding the ratification of the original Procedural Agreement between NRC and DOE. The Repository Project-Specific Agreement was subsequently ratified by both agencies in 1984. The purpose of these documents was to outline the procedures for staff consultation and exchange of information which NRC and DOE and its designated contractors would observe in connection with the characterization of sites for a geologic repository under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended. The purpose of this Federal Register notice is to announce the availability of the ratification of the revised Procedural Agreement and the Repository Project-Specific Agreement that includes all changes to the original agreements concerning NRC and DOE staff interactions.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of June 1993.

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