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Mr. Joseph J. Holonich, Director
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Dear Mr. Holonich:

As discussed in the November 20, 1991, regulatory strategy meeting between the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), we are transmitting the enclosed DOE Mined Geologic Disposal System (MGDS) Annotated Outline Planning Package for the Preparation of a License Application, dated December 13, 1991, for your comment and guidance. This annotated outline planning package is the beginning of an iterative process of developing the basis for a potential license application by consultation with NRC. A concurrent issue resolution process will complement and support the annotated outline development. The annotated outline planning package is based on NRC's Draft Regulatory Guide DG-3003, Format and Content for the License Application for the High-Level Waste Repository (FCRG), November 1990. The annotated outline will be refined in further iterations as future drafts of the FCRG are developed.

We plan to transmit the next iteration of the annotated outline planning package with skeletal text to you in April, 1992. We need your comments by the end of January, 1992, to enable us to respond to them in the April iteration. Otherwise, your comments will be addressed in future iterations. The next one will occur in September, 1992, with following iterations at approximately six month intervals, although some iterations may occur more frequently. Please call Priscilla Bunton of my staff at (202) 586-8365 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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