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MEMORANDUM TO: Robert M. Bernero, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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FROM: B. Joe Youngblood, Director
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SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE
DIVISION OF HIGH-LEVEL WASTE MANAGEMENT
REPOSITORY PROGRAM

Enclosed is a copy of the Management Plan for the Division of High-Level Waste Management (HLWM) Repository Program (Management Plan), dated January 1994. It represents HLWM's plan for preparing for and conducting both pre-licensing and licensing reviews for a potential high-level waste repository.

This Management Plan is intended to address policy and strategy (including alternative strategies) as well as, discussing in-depth, the specific work that must be completed in the four major repository program activities to ensure that the staff can and will fulfill its duties under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act, as amended. These activities are:

- (1) Develop Regulatory Requirements and Technical Guidance
- (2) Develop Technical Assessment Capability for Conducting Repository Licensing and Pre-Licensing Reviews
- (3) Conduct Research in Support of NRC Regulatory Responsibilities
- (4) Conduct Pre-LA Reviews and Quality Assurance (QA) Audits

In addition, the Management Plan provides the details of how the overall NRC repository program is integrated. Program integration is discussed in terms of overall program integration and integration between and among the nine individual repository system areas. Within these nine repository systems the 10 CFR Part 60 technical requirements for the repository are addressed. This plan also discusses major potential changes to the program and resulting impacts.

Finally, there is an appendix for each of the nine repository systems areas, addressing the DOE and NRC programs, using the DOE schedule (which was current at the time of the plan's development in FY 93) as a framework for the schedule around which the NRC program is built. Within each appendix, the staff has attempted to describe how the work being carried out in the four program activities, specific to that repository system, is integrated.

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In developing the Management Plan, the staff assumed that this version would serve as a baseline and that it and its appendices would be updated periodically, as programmatic, resource, or policy changes warranted.

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Enclosure: As stated

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