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NOTE TO:

Robert E. Browning, Director

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FROM:

John J. Linehan, Director

Repository Licensing and Quality Assurance Project Directorate

Division of High-Level Waste Management

SUBJECT:

RECOMMENDATION TO PROCEED WITH TECHNICAL POSITION (TP) ON

PROBABILISTIC SEISMIC HAZARD ANALYSIS (PSHA)

Based upon the Repository Licensing and Quality Assurance Project Directorate (HLPD) staff review on the proposed scope for the PSHA TP and subsequent discussions with the HLPD staff, I concur with the November 16, 1989, Geosciences and System Performance Branch (HLGP) recommendation to proceed with work on this TP topic if the following condition is met. The HLPD and HLGP staffs have agreed that PSHA methodology attributes need to be developed and added to the forthcoming internal TP draft. These attributes, once defined, will assist DOE in selecting PSHA methodologies acceptable to the staff. By doing this, HLGP will resolve HLPD's major concern about the TP's scope.

Finally, Michael P. Lee has been designated as the new HLPD Project Manager for this TP. He will be working with the HLGP TP technical lead to ensure that the pertinent review comments are addressed in the preparation of the internal TP draft. He will also be available to assist the HLGP technical lead in coordinating the internal task group meetings proposed by HLGP as well as the other attendant activities associated with the development of this TP.

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Recommendation Approved/Date:

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