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FROM: Paul T. Prestholt, Sr. On-Site Licensing Representative

DATE: June 1, 1988

SUBJECT: DOE WEEKLY REPORT

Please find enclosed the above-referenced report received in this office, i.e., for week ending May 20, 1988. There is nothing special to note.

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NEVADA NUCLEAR WASTE STORAGE INVESTIGATIONS (NNWSI) PROJECT WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 20, 1988

I. Critical Items Status

A. Site Characterization Plan (SCP)

Draft schedules of site characterization programs were provided to the participants for development of costs for SCP activities on Wednesday, May 18, 1988. The Working Groups (WGs) continued compilation of activity schedule logic and technical scope data sheets for each activity. The Technical and Management Support Services (T&MSS) contractor's Project Management Department developed computer-based schedules from the scheduling logic developed by the WGs. Working Group (WG) 7 continued work on revisions to SCP Section 8.4. A questionnaire on layout constraints to proposed exploratory shaft facility (ESF) tests was developed and sent to the various principal investigators.

The Integration Group developed assignments for the WGs for resolution of U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission comments on the SCP.

Conversion of the SCP/Consultation Draft from IT*OS to WPS+ continued this week. Chapters 1 through 7 had been converted and proofed by the end of the week.

The Study Plan schedule was updated to reflect current dates anticipated for submittal of the plans to the Waste Management Project Office (WMPO). Study Plan status remained unchanged this week. The present status of study plans is as follows:

Quality Check	0
Project Review	1
Participant Revisions	1
Parallel PO & DOE/HQ Review	1
DOE/HQ Review	4
Comment Resolution Check	0
DOE/HQ Approval Pending	5
Total	12

B. Core Sample Management

Furniture for the Sample Management Facility offices is currently being installed and telephone service is being added.

As of Tuesday, May 17, the status of core inventory and transfer remains unchanged from the previous week: 15 boreholes (431 boxes of core) have been inventoried at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) core library and 24 cuttings, 137 PVC samples, 66 waxed samples, and 7 miscellaneous samples have been transferred to the Sample Storage Building 4320 (formerly Warehouse No. 2).

II. Significant Accomplishments/Information Items

On May 19, Carl Gertz, Project Manager, Waste Management Project Office (WMPO) and Linda Smith, Acting Deputy Assistance Manager for Administration, Nevada Operations office, met with Harry Peebles, Director of Directorate of Administration, to discuss the reorganization plans for WMPO. Also on May 19, Carl met with congressional representatives from Nevada.

Reviewers of the Szymanski document -- "Conceptual Considerations of the Death Valley Groundwater System with Special Emphasis on the Adequacy of This System to Accommodate the High-Level Nuclear Waste Repository" -- continued their series of meetings with the author this week to resolve comments concerning the document.

Holmes & Narver, Inc. (H&N) has informed WMPO that their Interface Control Working Group alternate has been changed; Harry Tuthill will serve in that capacity in the future.

H&N has also reported that work is underway on the Administration and Engineering Building in Area 25. The completion date for Title I design is currently scheduled for July 11, 1988.

At G-Tunnel, calculations were performed for the as-built drillholes AC-1 and AC-2 for the Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Air Coring Test in the Demonstration Drift and Laser Drift. Also at G-Tunnel, Project participants met for a pore-water extraction pretest meeting.

III. Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location	Contact

A. Coordinating Group Meetings

None to report.

B. HQ Meetings

None to report.

C. Internal Project and DOE/Nevada Operations Office (NV) Meetings

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Tuesday, May 24	DOE/NV Manager's meeting	Las Vegas, NV	V. Davis, WMPO
Wednesday May 25	Project Manager and Technical Project Officers meeting	Las Vegas, NV	J. Fiore, SAIC
Tuesday, June 7	Exploratory Shaft Facility-Interface Control Working Group meeting	Las Vegas, NV	D. Irby, WMPO
Tuesday, June 7	Sample Overview Committee meeting	Mercury, NV	U. Clanton, WMPO

D. State and Public Interaction

None to report.

E. U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Interaction

None to report.

F. Other

Wednesday, June 1	Project Manager gives presentation to the UNLV Breakfast Club	Las Vegas, NV	V. Davis, WMPO
Monday, June 6	Project Manager gives Project status at Amargosa town meeting	Amargosa, NV	V. Davis, WMPO
Tuesday, June 7	Project Manager gives Project status at Las Vegas town meeting	Las Vegas, NV	V. Davis, WMPO
Wednesday, June 8	Project Manager speaks to the Beatty Chamber of Commerce	Beatty, NV	V. Davis, WMPO
Thursday, June 9	Project Manager gives Project status at Reno town meeting	Reno, NV	V. Davis, WMPO

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F. Other (continued)

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Sunday, June 12	American Nuclear Society meeting. Project Manager will give presentation.	San Diego, CA	V. Davis, WMPO

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