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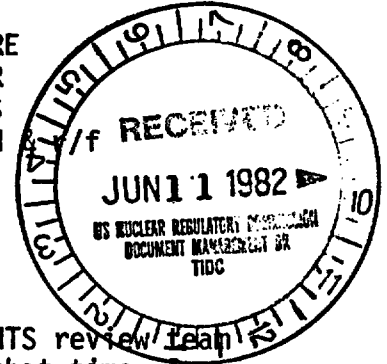
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Dear Mr. Dixon:

I wish to thank you for providing an opportunity for our NTS review team to visit with you in Denver on May 21. As I promised at that time, I am sending a copy of the draft report, "An Appraisal of Nuclear Waste Isolation in the Vadose Zone in Arid and Semi-Arid Regions." The draft report was prepared by Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory (LBL) under an inter-agency agreement and is now being revised by LBL in response to the enclosed NRC comments. As I also promised at our May 21 meeting, I am sending you copies of the Project Descriptive Summaries (PDS) for the high-level waste related contracts being funded by NRC.

I would be happy to answer any questions you might have regarding the LBL report or the PDSs. I can be reached at FTS 427-4675.

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**Enclosures:**

As stated 1. PDS, DRAFT AN APPRAISAL OF NUCLEAR WASTE ISOLATION, AND LETTERS TO STROMDAHL

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