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June 29, 1984

Memorandum For: Robert E. Browning, Director
Division of Waste Management

From: Paul T. Prestholt, Sr. OLR - NNWSI

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Subject: NNWSI Site Report for the weeks of June 18 and 25, 1984

1. I spent the week of June 18 in Silver Spring. Of most importance to me in the conduct of my duties as NNWSI - OLR were the meetings with Mr. Browning, Hub Miller and Seth Coplan concerning the conduct of the OLR office. The comments and criticisms expressed by Mr. Browning and the NNWSI project personnel are noted and will be implemented.

Of equal importance to me, personally, was the opportunity to discuss the NNWSI project with the members of the project technical team. It is important that I know and understand the views of the team members in dealing, day to day, with the NNWSI project.

2. A tour of the NTS facilities was conducted on June 26 and 27 for Roy F. Weston and DOE Hq. personnel. I went along on the 26th tour of the core library, E-MAD (Engine-Maintenance and Disassembly) and Yucca Mountain. The tour was conducted by Gary Dixon (USGS) and Dale Hammermeister (USGS). It was the standard tour and nothing new was discussed. However, I did bring up the fact that a considerable amount of water was sprayed on the UZ-6 drill pad during pad preparation (before drilling started). The USGS personnel on site were not aware of this and were concerned. The possible effects of the added water to the investigation of the unsaturated zone will be determined.

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3. Jerry Szymanski, DOE, has requested that scheduling of future workshops start, whenever possible, four months in advance of the workshop date. He thinks this will make workshop scheduling much smoother.
4. On July 6, the State of Nevada and the Desert Research Institute are holding a meeting in Las Vegas. I will attend this meeting. A copy of the letter to Seth Coplan describing this meeting is enclosed.
5. Also enclosed are:
 - a. Interim guidance for WMPO/NRC workshops - Vieth to TPO's
 - b. A letter from Dudley (USGS) to Vieth concerning Atef Elzeftawi's recent task in Las Vegas.
 - c. Comments by Dudley to Vieth concerning the WMPO/NRC workshop protocol.
 - d. The April NNWSI monthly report
 - e. The weekly NNWSI report for the week ending June 22.