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SUBJECT: F&S AUDIT

John Peshel of NMSS and Mike Gonzalez from the NRC Center for Nuclear Waste Analysis participated with me as NRC observers of the YMP QA and technical audit of F&S the week of April 10, 1989. Both gentlemen performed in a highly professional, productive manner and contributed significantly throughout the audit.

Mike with his knowledge, background and insight in quality assurance was able to identify and articulate effectively the strengths and weaknesses of the audit process and F&S QA program. Of particular interest was Mike's input at the formal exit meeting regarding the need for the F&S QA organization and the design organization to improve their interreactions and understanding on how best to interpret and implement F&S' revised QA Program more effectively. Mike also provided constructive oral comments at each of the audit team daily briefings.

John, with his technical experience and background was able to gain a clear understanding of the design process and the technical capabilities of the F&S organization. John provided meaningful comments throughout the audit. His observation regarding the need to emphasize and strengthen the timely interactions between the drilling and explosive experts and the technical personnel responsible for the assessment of damaged zones after each exploratory shaft drilling and blasting operation was appreciated and well received by YMP and the F&S organization.

In summary these two gentlemen were a valuable asset during the observation of YMP QA and technical audit of F&S.

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