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MEMORANDUM TO: HLWM Staff

FROM: Robert E. Browning, Director
 Division of High-Level Waste Management

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF SCP REVIEW PLAN

Enclosed is the SCP Review Plan (SCPRP) for your use in reviewing DOE's SCP. The SCPRP was developed by revising the CDSCP review plans to incorporate both the lessons learned from the staff's CDSCP review and the required activities and products associated with reviewing the statutory SCP and preparing the Site Characterization Analysis (SCA). Staff interviews were conducted to obtain suggested revisions based on the staff's CDSCP reviews experience. The interviews provided many useful ideas for improving the plan and review process. All the suggestions were carefully considered and many were incorporated into the SCPRP. Following the interviews, a summary of the SCPRP was prepared to facilitate the development and management review of many key aspects of the SCPRP. The summary also provided the staff with early information about the SCPRP to assist them in their planning. Finally, the SCPRP can be revised if concerns are identified during the review that require correction.

If the SCP is released and delivered to NRC by DOE in late December, as is presently planned, a memo notifying the staff of the start of review will be issued early in the week of January 3, 1989, after receipt of the SCP copies and references. This memo will also contain the specific review schedule. Finally, an extended team meeting will be held on January 4, 1989, to answer questions about the SCPRP.

Robert E. Browning, Director
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Enclosure: As stated

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