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FROM: James E. Kennedy, Section Leader  
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SUBJECT: DRAFT REVISION TO THE JUNE 1984 NRC REVIEW PLAN: QUALITY  
ASSURANCE PROGRAMS FOR SITE CHARACTERIZATION OF HIGH-LEVEL  
NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORIES

In late 1986, the NRC staff undertook the revision to the 1984 NRC Review Plan. The revision incorporates lessons learned as outlined in the Ford Study, endorses NQA-1 for the repository program, incorporates certain positions from the draft of NQA-3, references recent technical positions on QA, addresses comments made by the DOE in September of 1986, and incorporates changes based on three years of use by NRC staff. A more detailed discussion of the rationale for the revision is contained in the preface to the review plan and technical position.

Attached for your review is the:

- ° 1988 Draft NRC Review Plan for Quality Assurance Programs during the Site Characterization Phase of the High-Level Nuclear Waste Repository and
- ° Draft Technical Position on Quality Assurance for the Site Characterization Phase of the High-Level Nuclear Waste Repository.

In addition, the following documents have been supplied to aid you in your review:

- ° 1984 NRC Review Plan: Quality Assurance Programs for Site Characterization of High-Level Nuclear Waste Repositories.
- ° Cross Reference the 1984 NRC Review Plan Appendix A to the 1988 Draft Technical Position on Quality Assurance
- ° DOE Comment Response Document

Please review and return by April 20, 1988. Our goal is to issue the draft for public comment by May 31, 1988

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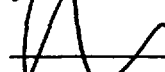
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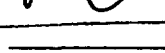
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