



WASTE CONTROL CENTER

'87 MAR -9 P1:28

Department of Energy

Nevada Operations Office
P. O. Box 14100
Las Vegas, NV 89114-4100

MAR 02 1987

102.7

WM Record File

102.7

PDR-1
LPDR-WM-11(2)

WM Project: 11

Docket No.

PDR

LPDR

Distribution:

Kennedy

Delligatti

(Return to WM, 623-SS)

STABLEIN

JSL RDM

Riddle

HSM STILL

James P. Knight, Director, Licensing & Regulatory Division, HQ (RW-24)
FORS

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (NRC) MINI-AUDIT OF NEVADA NUCLEAR WASTE STORAGE INVESTIGATIONS (NNWSI) PROJECT'S MINEROLOGY/PETROLOGY ACTIVITIES

The Department of Energy (DOE) offered the NRC an opportunity to perform mini-audits of ongoing discrete technical activities; the NRC expressed a desire to perform a mini-audit of the Minerology/Petrology investigations conducted by Los Alamos National Laboratory in support of the NNWSI Project. Consistent with your role in coordinating NRC and Project Office interactions, the following activities will occur, culminating in the NRC mini-audit at Los Alamos.

In preparation for the mini-audit, the NRC expressed an interest having a scoping visit at Los Alamos to meet the primary contacts, discuss the conduct of the mini-audit, and identify any additional plans or technical procedures needed for the planning and preparation of the mini-audit. March 10, 1987 is the proposed date for visiting Los Alamos; J. E. Kennedy, NRC, indicated that he expected about three NRC representatives to attend the meeting. The date is satisfactory with D. T. Oakley, the Los Alamos Technical Project Officer, and this office.

The DOE is to provide the rationale as to why the technical activity is prepared for an NRC mini-audit. The rationale will be based on the results of Los Alamos and Waste Management Project Office (WMPO) surveillances and the results of the WMPO audit of Los Alamos scheduled for March 30-April 3, 1987. Based on these events, NRC is striving for a late April or early May date for the conduct of their mini-audit.

We are requesting Office of Geologic Repositories representation at the scoping meeting of March 10, 1987 for preparation for the NRC mini-audit of Minerology/Petrology, and for coordinating the exchange of documents from Los Alamos to NRC for planning and preparation of the mini-audit. With respect to the exchange of documents, Los Alamos has routinely sent controlled copies of their Quality Assurance Program Plan and technical procedures to the NRC but has not yet received a signed receipt for the documents. We need your assistance in resolving this problem.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call James Blaylock on FTS 575-1125.

Donald L. Vieth, Director
Waste Management Project Office

WMPO:JB-1082

8705070298 870502
PDR WASTE
WM-11 PDR


1331

MAR 02 1987

James P. Knight

-2-

cc:



J. E. Kennedy, NRC, Washington, DC
D. T. Oakley, LANL, Los Alamos, NM
S. H. Klein, SAIC, Las Vegas, NV
R. W. Taft, AMES, NV
M. B. Blanchard, WMPO, NV