REQUEST FOR TP SCOPE

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

John J. Linehan, Director

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SUBJECT:

FOLLOW-UP REQUEST FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A SCOPE FOR ONGOING

TECHNICAL POSITIONS

In his memorandum to the Division, dated October 13, 1988, regarding the work plan on the development of Technical Positions (WM Policy #46), Mr. Browning requested that the staff develop a "scope" for each Technical Position (TP) that was under development prior to the issuance of the TP work plan.

The development of each scope for each ongoing TP was to be coordinated with the Chief of the Geosciences and Systems Performance Branch (HLGP), who was delegated by Mr. Browning as the responsible manager to transmit the scoping package to HLPD. Two TP's were identified as being under development at the time of Mr. Browning's letter. These are:

- (1) Pre-Closure Earthquake Hazard Evaluation Methods (HLGP)
- (2) Post-Closure Seals in unsaturated Medium (HLEN)

The scope for the first TP was issued on November 1, 1988 by HLGP, but the scope for second has not yet been issued. HLPD recognizes that HLEN has been extensively involved in recent high-priority, time-constrained Division activities such as the meetings with DOE and the briefing to the Commission regarding the Exploratory Shaft Facility. We have therefore deferred making a formal request for a scope for this TP until now. In addition, HLEN has not yet developed a "scope" for a recently initiated TP on "Retrieval Demonstration During Site Characterization" as required by WM Policy #46.

In the interest of ensuring that the Division establishes, implements, and documents a consistent approach to TP development, we ask that HLEN develop the two outstanding scopes as soon as possible. Please contact Rob MacDougall (x23401) or Brian Thomas (x20435) with proposed dates for providing these scopes.

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