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Mr. Robert E. Browning, Director Nuclear Regulatory Commission Waste Management Division 1717 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Browning:

Attached please find a Resolution adopted by the Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects at their most recent meeting.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Loux

Executive Director

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Attachment

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Energy is investigating Yucca Mountain in southern Nevada as a possible site for a high-level nuclear waste repository, and;

WHEREAS, should such a repository be located at Yucca Mountain, in excess of 180,000 truck shipments or 24,000 rail shipments of highly radioactive materials could be transported into Nevada over a 30 year period, and;

WHEREAS, current U.S. DOE projections indicate that certain highway and rail routes in southern Nevada represent preferred shipping routes for high-level waste destined for a repository at Yucca Mountain, and;

WHEREAS, certain U.S. DOE planning documents show relatively high-risk routes, such as U.S. 93 over Hoover Dam, as potential transportation corridors for high-level radioactive materials, and;

WHEREAS, Hoover Dam is a national tourist attraction and U.S. 93 across the Dam is heavily congested during many months of the year, and;

WHEREAS, this traffic conjestion and the nature of the approaches to U.S. 93 in the area of Hoover Dam have contributed to a high accident rate, and;

WHEREAS, any accident involving a truck transporting high-level nuclear waste could have catastrophic consequences;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State of Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects urges the U.S. Department of Energy to unequivocally commit that high-level nuclear waste destined for a repository will not be transported across Hoover Dam, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission strongly urges the U.S. DOE to agree to a planning process for the transportation of high-level nuclear waste that is thorough and comprehensive and which seeks to identify the <u>best</u> and <u>safest</u> routes for the shipment of radioactive materials to a repository, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the U.S. DOE seek to actively involve the State of Nevada and all potentially affected local governments and Indian tribes in its transportation planning and that DOE formally agree to abide by all state routing specifications and requirements in effect at the time repository-related waste shipments take place.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Nevada Congressional Delegation, the Secretary of Energy, the Governor of the State of Nevada, the Attorney General of the State of Nevada, the Director of the U.S. DOE Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, and the Chairman of the State of Nevada Legislative Study Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 15th day of May, 1986.

Grant Sawyer, Chairman