



Nye County Nevada
Board of Commissioners

April 11, 1989

B. Joe Youngblood
Director
Division of High-Level Waste Management
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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Joe:

As you know, the Nye County Board of County Commissioners has not taken a position either for or against a repository at Yucca Mountain, but they do want to be sure that all legitimate issues affecting the protection of public health, safety, and natural resources are fully and carefully addressed.

During the last week of this month, the three Nye County Commissioners will be in Washington for a series of meetings relating to the repository program. I am writing to request your assistance in arranging a briefing for the Commissioners about the status of the repository program. We have set aside Tuesday, April 25th, from 3:00 to 4:45 pm for an NRC presentation, which would take place in Room 381 of the Hall of the States at 444 North Capitol Street, NW. We would of course welcome the participation of any members of your staff you might want to include in the meeting.

The Commissioners are interested in hearing the NRC staff's views about the status of the repository program, a review of the major pending issues from your perspective, and an overview of any major areas of ongoing concern, such as quality assurance, that you believe are affecting, or are likely to affect, the repository project schedule.

Given the growing concern about the pace and direction of the repository program, I hope you and members of your staff will be able to take this opportunity to meet with the Commissioners, who represent the communities that will be most directly affected by DOE's work at Yucca Mountain. For purposes of coordinating the timing and content of a meeting, I can be reached at the following local Washington number: 834-1173.

Sincerely,
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Washington Representative

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