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Dr. Donald L. Vieth Director Waste Management Project Office U. S. Department of Energy Nevada Operations Office P. O. Box 14100 Las Vegas, NV 89114

Dear Dr. Vieth:

We have received the June 1, 1984 preliminary draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Nevada Nuclear Waste Storage Investigations Project. In the preliminary draft EA, a number of major conclusions are presented based on references which are currently not available to our staff. This situation could impact our ability to adequately evaluate the conclusions drawn in the draft EA when it is issued for comment. To allow us to comment in a timely fashion, selected references are needed prior to the receipt of the draft EA. I am therefore requesting that the enclosed list of documents, referenced in the June 1 draft EA, be forwarded to us at the earliest possible time.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Seth M. Coplan, Section Leader NTS Project Section Repository Projects Branch Division of Waste Management Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

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