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Dear Dr. Vieth:

At the NNWSI Project/NRC management meeting held March 11, 1985, in Silver Spring, Maryland a series of technical meetings was scheduled with the understanding that they would be held in Silver Spring unless specific agreement was reached to hold a particular meeting elsewhere. At the May 30, 1985, DOE/NRC management meeting in Washington, D.C., a D.C. or Silver Spring location was confirmed as the general rule for CY 85 technical meetings for all three HLW projects.

In your July 10 letter to me you proposed that the NNWSI Project/NRC meetings on Exploratory Shaft Design (8/27-28), Exploratory Shaft Test Plan (9/16-17), and Unsaturated Zone Hydrology and Geochemistry (9/23-26) be held in Las Vegas. You and I have since agreed during our telephone conversation of August 13 that the Exploratory Shaft Design meeting would be held in Silver Spring, and I have confirmed by letter to you dated July 13 the NRC's agreement that the Exploratory Shaft Test Plan meeting (now postponed) would be held in Las Vegas. The NRC still prefers to hold the Unsaturated Zone meeting in Silver Spring since our lead geochemist and hydrologist will be unable to travel to Las Vegas because of other commitments and so that as many of the NRC staff as possible are available to contribute to the discussions.

In your July 10 letter you also propose that the NNWSI Project/NRC Performance Assessment meeting (10/1-4) be held in Albuquerque. The NRC still prefers to hold that meeting in Silver Spring. You and I need to resolve this matter soon so that planning may proceed for the meeting. I suggest that we discuss this further when we meet on August 27 and 28.

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If you have any questions concerning these meetings, please contact King Stablein (FTS 427-4611) of my staff or me (FTS 427-4672).

Sincerely,

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