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Dear Mr. Linehan:

As previously discussed with your staff, it will be mutually beneficial to establish routine monthly meetings between DOE, NRC, and other organizations interested in the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management's (OCRWM) Quality Assurance (QA) program development and implementation. The purpose of these meetings will primarily be to discuss the development, status and progress toward resolution of issues, items, documents, reviews, etc., related to QA. In addition, the meetings will provide opportunities for the State of Nevada, affected units of local government, and any other interested party (e.g. Edison Electric Institute) to provide input regarding OCRWM's QA program.

The planning for these monthly meetings will be concurrent with the QA Program Review Meeting on December 6, 1988, in Las Vegas, Nevada. At this meeting, I expect we should be able to develop a schedule and core agenda that will be mutually acceptable to all of the parties.

If you have any questions, please call me on 586-6046 or Jay Jones on 586-1224

Sincerely,

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