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SUBJECT: REPORT ON MARCH 31, 1989 MEETING WITH THE
U. S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Pursuant to a request from Floyd Galpin, Director of the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Office of Radiation Programs (ORP), the Division of High-Level Waste Management (DHLWM) staff met with ORP staff on March 31, 1989 to discuss how the DHLWM is organized and functioning to deal with assessing the U. S. Department of Energy (DOE) civilian repository's compliance with the EPA high-level waste (HLW) standard (40 CFR Part 191). A list of attendees at the meeting is attached.

During the meeting, DHLWM staff presented a brief overview of our high-level waste program, including our roles and activities. Ensuing discussion focused on EPA's work on its standard. EPA currently expects to issue a revised standard for public comment by the end of this calendar year. EPA only anticipates changes to those portions of the standard vacated by the courts.

Other significant discussions focused on:

1. The Waste Isolation Pilot Project's petition for a waiver of the "no migration" requirement of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended (RCRA).
2. Confirmation of whether RCRA applies to the HLW repository.

During the meeting, Dan Egan, EPA requested information about our budget. I have already arranged to have a copy of the Green Book sent directly to his office.

In general, this meeting seemed to be very helpful in providing information to both DHLWM and EPA. In view of the two rulemakings that DHLWM is conducting on the conforming of Part 60 and the implementation of the EPA standard, It is recommended that similar meetings be held with EPA on an as-needed basis.

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