

February 7, 1989

Mr. Harold A. Rogers
860 Folsom Court
Orson City, NV 89705

Dear Mr. Rogers:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning the proposed high-level nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain.

NRC's comments on the Department of Energy's Consultation Draft Site Characterization Plan for Yucca Mountain were transmitted on May 11, 1988. Enclosed is a copy of a letter from NRC's Robert E. Browning to DOE's Ralph Stein that summarizes our review and discusses the five fundamental concerns you referred to in your letter.

A copy of our complete comments (known as the NRC Staff Final Point Papers on the CDSCP Yucca Mountain site) is available for public reference in the local public document room we have established in the James R. Dickinson Library, University of Nevada - Las Vegas, 4505 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, NV, telephone: 702/739-3286. Additional local public document rooms will be established in Nevada in the near future.

Alternatively, you may obtain your own copy of the comments by writing or calling our public document room in Washington and asking to have the Final Point Papers reproduced at our standard charge of 6 cents per page. The address is Public Document Room, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, phone: 202/634-3273.

The above information refers to DOE's draft Site Characterization Plan. DOE submitted the more formal Site Characterization Plan (required by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act) to us on December 28, 1988. We are currently conducting an acceptance review of this SCP to determine whether it is complete enough for our staff to conduct a technical review. If it is, we will issue a Site Characterization Analysis upon completion of our review.

As you requested, we are placing your name on a distribution list related to high-level radioactive waste management.

We hope you will find this information helpful.

Sincerely,

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