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Mr. Robert R. Loux Director Nevada Nuclear Waste Project Office 1802 North Carson Street Capitol Complex, Suite 252 Carson City, NV 89710

Dear Mr. Loux:

The NRC staff will be conducting a mini-audit of the mineralogy/petrology program for the DOE/NNWSI project at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) the week of June 8, 1987. The audit will assess both the implementation and effectiveness of the quality assurance (QA) program at LANL. In keeping with the spirit of NRC/State/Tribal cooperation, we invite you to participate as an observer in the upcoming audit.

The audit team will consist of nine members - seven from the NRC staff and two NRC contractor support personnel. Smaller subteams will be utilized during the audit. The entrance interview is tentatively scheduled for 8:30 a.m. Monday June 8, 1987, with the conduct of the audit immediately following.

As arranged with Carl Johnson in a telephone conversation on May 4, 1987, with James Kennedy of my staff, we will be meeting with Mr. Johnson at 8:30 a.m. Friday, May 15, 1987, in Silver Spring, Maryland to discuss any questions or comments which the State might have, and provide more detail on our audit plans. I also understand that we will be discussing the State of Nevada QA program at that time.

Please contact James Kennedy (301 427-4786) of my staff if you need any additional information for our meeting on the 15th of May.

Sincerely.

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