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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM UNDER SUBTASK 1.1 OF THE PERFORMANCE  
 ASSESSMENT ELEMENT

Dear Dr. Baca:

The NRC, as part of its interaction with the EPA, will participate in a public workshop on the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Compliance Criteria. The NRC is being asked to make a presentation regarding the treatment and effect of climate change on repository performance. This presentation is anticipated to contain the following four aspects of treating climate change: 1) overall NRC performance assessment approach for scenarios; 2) treatment of climate change (both analytic and expert opinion); 3) effects of climate change on repository performance (examples drawing upon IPA Phase 2); and 4) other approaches and results as applicable.

The Center is requested to provide a set of overheads for this presentation. This effort supports the review of the EPA Compliance Criteria for WIPP (Intermediate Milestone 5702-711-404) and therefore is considered an Administrative Item under Subtask 1.1. The overheads should be submitted by January 31, 1995.

This effort is considered to be within the scope of Subtask 1.1. Let me know if this work will have a significant impact on the cost or schedule associated with this subtask.

If you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter, please contact Tim McCartin at (301) 415-6681.

Sincerely,

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