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Mr. Stephen H. Kale, Associate Director
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Dear Mr. Kale:

I am enclosing for your information a copy of the Draft Technical Review Plan and the Administrative Plan and Procedures for NRC staff review of DOE's consultation draft Site Characterization Plans (SCPs) (Enclosure A). The review plans were issued in December 1987 when DOE expected to release three consultation draft SCPs and therefore addresses all three sites. Please note that the Technical Review Plan is a draft which based on our consultation draft SCP review experience, we intend to revise for use in reviewing the SCP required by the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987 and 10 CFR Part 60. Based on our SCP review experience, we will develop an Administrative Plan and Procedures for review of the SCP.

Also for your information I am enclosing a copy of the Draft Review Plan for NRC staff review of DOE study plans and procedures (Enclosure B). After this draft has been used in the review of some study plans received from DOE, it may be revised as needed based upon the review experience.

If you have any questions concerning these draft review plans please call John J. Linehan (492-0411).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "B. J. Youngblood".

B. J. Youngblood, Chief
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Enclosures:
As stated

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