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Dear Mr. Miller:

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA) FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF THE HANFORD SITE PURSUANT TO THE NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT OF 1982 - DOE/EA-0210 DATED FEBRUARY 1983

The Nuclear Waste Policy Act requires the preparation of an EA which is to accompany the nomination of a site for characterization to determine its suitability as a repository site. The DOE plans to hold a public hearing in Richland on March 25, 1983, to notify residents of the area of the proposed nomination of the BWIP site at Hanford for characterization, and to receive recommendations from the public on issues which should be addressed in the EA and a Site Characterization Plan (SCP), also required by the Act.

Enclosed for your information are ten copies of the draft EA. If you have questions concerning this draft EA, please call.

Very truly yours,

*O. L. Olson*

O. L. Olson, Project Manager  
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Enclosure

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