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Dear Mr. Browning:

Washington, D.C.

Robert E. Browning, Director Division of Waste Management Nuclear Regulatory Commission

In early July of 1985, I met with Joseph Bunting of your staff to discuss the accommodation of state participation in NRC decisionmaking concerning the Department of Energy's Nuclear Waste Program. According to Mr. Bunting, the NRC was interested in identifying state interest in participation in NRC decisionmaking to enable NRC staff to allow sufficient time in NRC schedules for such participation. At the meeting, I expressed the interest of the State of Utah in participation, and I am reaffirming our interest by this letter.

I have had no further contact with Mr. Bunting concerning this matter, but look forward to discussions of state participation in the near future. The State of Utah welcomes all opportunities for meaningful participation in the decisions which affect the course of the Department of Energy's Nuclear Waste Program.

Please advise of any future developments in this matter.

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Sincerely,

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