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Mr. John Davis, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguard
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Davis:

In reviewing the Commission's Standard Review Plan for the Department of Energy's Draft Environmental Assessments of potential high-level nuclear waste repository sites, I note that a "Readiness Review Team" is intended to be brought together to provide peer review of the Commission's comments before their submission to the DOE.

It appears to me that including a representative of the State of Texas as a member of the "Readiness Review Team" when its work is related to the two identified Texas sites will serve to the benefit of both the Commission and the State of Texas in the early identification of potential safety and licensing issues pertinent to these sites. The type of interaction I am here proposing is within the context of that envisioned in Subpart C of 10 CFR Part 60, and my request to be included in the "readiness review" is made in the spirit of those provisions.

I look forward to your consideration of this matter, and, if you have any questions about this request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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