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July 1, 1980

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Location of Visit/Conference:

Conference call: Wright, Braun, Robert

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SUBJECT

"Early-On" notification of HLW geology visit to State

SUMMARY

Lewis was given a briefing introduction on the reason for the trip: part of on-going program for building independent NRC staff knowledge and expertise of DOE exploratory activities for HLE throughout the United States. NRC is taking the opportunity as part of our Federal/State cooperation and pre "pink-slip" "early-on" notification effort per request of the Governors. SLO was notified of who NRC would be meeting with, where going.

Lewis Comments: Notifying the Governor of NRC activities in state is very desirable. Will notify the Governor's office of the trip. Had a series of problems with University of Washington geologists/professors. State is sensitive to any geologic questions:

- a) Burned by University people on SKAGAT Project
- b) On University side a number of antinuke cheap shots
- c) Conflict-of-interest issue with the University and bad feelings between U and Governor
- d) Jurisdictional problem of certification
- e) 2 proposed units that the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (State) gave approval for. U of Washington Professors acted as intervenors, pointed out areas not addressed (geology) became very political - site certification issued and finally cancelled

There are problems with the Hanford Reservation site:

- a) BWIP is being followed closely by Governor. She has made several staff appointments to follow activities (Nick Lewis, Others)
- b) DOE is doing geological studies - more than ever
- c) DOE's charge was to raise any questions they could find - but they don't supply answers
- d) DOE surveys are raising a whole host of "messy questions" about siting - great potential for impact on power plants or additional siting at the Reservation
- e) There is some feeling the studies did not go far enough and answer the questions posed - have no responsibility to do so (OVER)

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- f) NRC should look at focus on problem solving
- g) NRC might reach a decision on what level of study is needed for confidence in geological studies - what do we need
- h) DOE has started some testing and are well advanced in study - heaters in

There are several others that Lewis suggested NRC talk with (geologists at Reservation)

- a) Washington Public Power Supply
Dave Tilson - BWHIP headquarters
Consortium of 4 private utility companies doing site characteristics studies on a 2,000 acre site close to Gable Mountain
- b) Pualget Sound Power & Light
Jim Mecca 206-454-6363
If not in: Gordon Jacobson (Head of Nuclear Program)
Warren Furguson (V.P. Engineering) - powerful person in private and public arena

Mr Lewis indicated he would contact Council. Felt it would be helpful to Washington to have after the trip: impressions, thoughts, useful information. He would appreciate a follow-up phone call after the trip. This approach will help Washington sort out things to some degree

Bob Wright agreed to get in touch with him.