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NOTE TO: Those on Attached List
FROM: Alma Hale, Project Manager
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SUBJECT: BWIP-RELATED INFORMATION

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The attached information is provided FYI.

Thanks,


Alma

Attachment
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Memorandum for the President:

Approval is requested for the enclosed report entitled "Recommendation by the Secretary of Energy of Candidate Sites for Site Characterization for the First Radioactive-Waste Repository". This report recommends sites located at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, Deaf Smith County, Texas, and Hanford, Washington, for characterization as candidate sites for the Nation's first geologic repository for the permanent disposal of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel. The recommended sites were selected from the five sites I have nominated. The nominations were based on the Environmental Assessments required by Section 112(b)(1)(E) of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (the Act) (P.L. 97-425).

The recommendation of these sites is made pursuant to Section 112(b) of the Act. The five enclosed Environmental Assessments provide the technical basis for the nomination of the five sites from which the three candidate sites were recommended. The decision-aiding methodology, used by the Department of Energy as an aid in ranking the five nominated sites, was reviewed and judged appropriate by the National Academy of Sciences. A copy of the methodology report, entitled "A Multiattribute Utility Analysis of Sites Nominated for Characterization for the First Radioactive-Waste Repository -- A Decision-Aiding Methodology", is also enclosed.

In addition, under Section 114(f) of the Act, I have made a preliminary determination that the candidate sites are suitable for development as repositories consistent with the Department of Energy's General Guidelines for the Recommendation of Sites for the Nuclear Waste Repositories (10 CFR Part 960).

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Please let me know if you need any additional information to aid you in your review of the recommended candidate sites.

John S. Herrington 5/27/86
John S. Herrington

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