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Mr. Tony Carter
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SUBJECT: REVIEW AND COMMENT ON DRAFT OFFICE OF LEGACY MANAGEMENT'S

STRATEGIC PLAN COVERING FISCAL YEARS 2004-2008.

Dear Mr. Carter:

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the Department of Energy's, draft Office of Legacy Management's Strategic Plan covering Fiscal Years 2004-2008. NRC is cognizant of the need for a strong vision and commitment to protect public health and safety, security, and the environment.

At Mr. Owen's request, I have read your draft Strategic Plan and it appears to be comprehensively written and clearly defines your visions and goals. I have no additional comments or recommendations to enhance your Strategic Plan.

Should additional information be needed, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Elmo Collins, Director Division of Nuclear Materials Safety

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