

June 3, 2004

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SUBJECT: PETITION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE LICENSING REVIEW OF
THE YUCCA MOUNTAIN NUCLEAR WASTE REPOSITORY

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Please contact Mr. C. William Reamer, Director, Division of High-Level Waste Repository Safety, if you would like to schedule such a meeting. Mr. Reamer may be reached by telephone at (301) 415-6537, and by e-mail at cbr@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Jack R. Strosnider, Director
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