June 30, 2005

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SUBJECT: U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF

ENERGY JUNE 1, 2005, TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON PRE-CLOSURE

INTERACTIONS AND AIRCRAFT HAZARDS

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael D. Waters, of my staff, at (301) 415-3875 or by email at mdw1@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:

Meeting Summary re: Final Summary of the DOE/NRC Commission Technical Exchange on the Pre-Closure Interaction Plans and Aircraft Hazards at the Potential YM Repository on June 1, 2005 in Las Vegas, NV

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