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Subject: Comments on the NRC EA for Connecticut Yankee Disposal Procedures

Ted,

The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ), Division of INL Oversight and Radiation Control has reviewed the NRC "draft" Environmental Assessment on the proposed disposal of Connecticut Yankee waste in the US Ecology RCRA facility. The Director of IDEQ agreed to meet with representatives from US Ecology, before submitting the state comments to the NRC. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 31st.

Based on the Director's request, I will not be able to forward the comments to your office before Wednesday of next week. Please let me know if this timeframe will be acceptable.

Also, I wanted to ask you if the NRC has granted alternate disposal approval for reactor decommissioning waste to go to RCRA facilities under the 20.2002. It would be helpful to understand the process if this has occurred in the past. Secondly, do you know if the NRC has submitted any information to the EPA regarding this proposal?

Thanks,

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