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Mr. Luis Echávarri, Director General
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Dear Director General Echávarri:

Thank you for your kind invitation to participate in the October 2007 international conference, *Geological Repositories: A Common Objective, a Variety of Paths* in Berne, Switzerland. I would be pleased to make a presentation in the session regarding the role and activities of the regulator.

It is essential for countries to engage in active discussion about the topic of deep geological disposal, sharing information and lessons learned to promote global understanding of the issue and the various methods in which it is implemented. I commend the various agencies that have organized this event and look forward to hearing from my colleagues and sharing the United States' regulatory perspective at the conference.

Sincerely,

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