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Dear Mr. Kokajko:

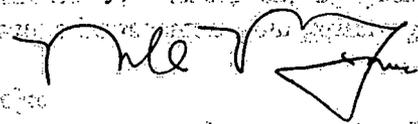
As Chairman of Nevada's Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, I would like to invite the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to send one or more representatives to the Committee's next meeting scheduled for May 14, 2008, in Las Vegas, Nevada, to give a presentation on the licensing process for the Yucca Mountain Project.

At its January 15, 2008, meeting, the Committee heard a presentation from Edward Sproat III, Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy, during which Mr. Sproat expressed his intent to submit the licensing application for the Yucca Mountain Project in June of 2008. In anticipation of the submittal of the Yucca Mountain licensing application, the Committee is very interested in learning about the NRC's licensing review process. While I understand the NRC will be making a similar presentation in Las Vegas to the Affected Units of Local Government (AULGs) on April 17, 2008, some of the Committee members have existing commitments that would prevent them from attending.

Due to budgetary constraints, the Committee is not able to offer payment of airfare or other travel expenses. I understand that the NRC is also laboring under budget constraints but I hope that the NRC will be able to send a representative to Las Vegas for the May 14 meeting. Susan E. Scholley, Chief Principal Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (775/684-6825), will be happy to answer any questions regarding the presentation or other matters relating to the Committee and its upcoming meeting.

Thank you for your consideration of the Committee's request. I look forward to meeting you.

Sincerely,


Senator Mike McGinness
Chairman, Nevada's Legislative Committee on
High-Level Radioactive Waste

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