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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2008 PUBLIC MEETING AT  
AMARGOSA VALLEY, NV

On September 23, 2008, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held a Category 3 public meeting with members of the public at Amargosa Valley, NV, located near the site of the proposed Yucca Mountain geologic repository in Nye County, NV. The purpose of this meeting was to provide residents of the host county, and any other interested members of the public, an overview of NRC staff's recent decision to docket U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE's) license application for construction of the proposed repository, and its decision to adopt, with supplementation, the environmental impact statements prepared for the repository. Other purposes of the meeting were to explain the next steps that NRC staff will follow in its review of the license application and provide the public an opportunity to ask questions to NRC staff about its responsibilities during the review process.

Members of NRC's staff made several presentations discussing its decisions to docket the license application and to adopt the environmental impact statements. NRC staff also made a presentation discussing the adjudicatory hearing process that NRC will have as part of the licensing process for Yucca Mountain. As part of this presentation, NRC staff also discussed the upcoming milestones in its decision process for Yucca Mountain. Each individual presentation was followed by a question and answer period, where NRC staff answered questions and heard comments from interested members of the public.

Commissioners from the Nye County Board of County Commissioners, including the Chairman of the Board, attended this meeting and made public statements prior to and after NRC's presentations. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation to NRC staff for their efforts in coordinating and hosting the meeting, and for their efforts to keep local residents informed of its decisions related to Yucca Mountain.

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A list of meeting attendees and the presentation slides used during this meeting are enclosed. Any questions concerning this meeting summary may be directed to Jose Cuadrado at 301-492-3287, or by email at [jose.cuadrado@nrc.gov](mailto:jose.cuadrado@nrc.gov).

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