March 23, 2009

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Dear Ms. Cuthbertson:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is pleased that you will participate in a public Commission meeting on low-level radioactive waste, Friday, April 17, 2009. The meeting will be held in the Commissioners' Conference Room on the first floor of the NRC's Headquarters building at One White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland; it will have two parts. You will be part of the morning session, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. First, the NRC staff will provide a presentation on a broad range of low-level radioactive waste issues, then you and a representative from the Department of Energy's Department of Environmental Management will give presentations. In the afternoon, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., a number of other stakeholders will be giving presentations on low-level radioactive waste issues. The Commission is interested in hearing your views, as a representative of the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration, on the sealed source recovery program. I am enclosing a copy of the draft meeting agenda for your information (enclosure 1). My staff will keep you informed of any updates to the agenda.

To assist the Commission in preparing for the meeting, please e-mail any written material, including viewgraphs/slides, to Ms. Rochelle Bavol and Ms. Sandy Joosten (**rochelle.bavol@nrc.gov** and **sandy.joosten@nrc.gov**) in the Office of the Secretary, by April 10, 2009, so that it can be distributed to the Commission for review in advance of the meeting. Enclosed are guidelines for viewgraphs, if you choose to use them (enclosure 2). PowerPoint or other electronic presentation formats are acceptable. This Commission meeting will be webcast live at the Web address: **www.nrc.gov.** If you intend to use viewgraphs they will also be posted on the NRC website prior to the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Bavol at 301-415-1651.

Your presentation at the Commission meeting should be based on the assumption that Commissioners are familiar with the content of your written material. Please plan your oral presentation for 5 minutes, discussing the important points on which you wish to focus the Commission's attention.

The NRC Headquarters building is located opposite the White Flint Metro Station on Rockville Pike and Marinelli Drive, Rockville, Maryland. The White Flint Metro Station is on the Red Line of the Washington area subway system. Reserved visitor parking for Commission guests is available. If you wish to use reserved parking, please notify Ms. Bavol in advance. If reserved

parking has been arranged, please check-in with the security staff at the entrance to the NRC campus on Marinelli Drive when you arrive. A Security Guard will call for an escort.

Sincerely,

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook
Secretary of the Commission

Enclosures:
1. Draft Agenda
2. Briefing Visuals Guidance