United States Of America Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Atomic Safety And Licensing Board

Before Administrative Judges:
Thomas S. Moore, Chairman
Paul S. Ryerson
Richard E. Wardwell

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| In the Matter of | ) | Docket No. 63-001-HLW |
| | ) | ASLBP No. 09-892-HLW-CAB04 |
| U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY | ) | |
| High-Level Waste Repository | ) | March 29, 2010 |

**FOUR NEVADA COUNTIES OF CHURCHILL, ESMERALDA, LANDER AND MINERAL ANSWER TO THE PETITIONS TO INTERVENE FILED BY THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, STATE OF WASHINGTON, AIKEN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS, AND THE PRAIRIE ISLAND INDIAN COMMUNITY**

The Four Nevada Counties of Churchill, Esmeralda, Lander and Mineral hereby submit their Answer to the Petitions to Intervene filed by the State of South Carolina, the State of Washington, Aiken County, South Carolina, The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, and the Prairie Island Indian Community (collectively, the "Petitioners"). The Four Nevada Counties have no objection to Petitioners' intervention so long as they have met the requirements for intervention set forth in 10 C.F.R. § 2.309 or, alternatively, 10 C.F.R. § 2.315.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the THE FOUR NEVADA COUNTIES OF CHURCHILL, ESMERALDA, LANDER AND MINERAL ANSWERS TO THE PETITIONS TO INTERVENE FILED BY THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, STATE OF WASHINGTON, AIKEN COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REGULATORY UTILITY COMMISSIONERS AND THE PRAIRIE ISLAND INDIAN COMMUNITY in the above-captioned proceeding have been served on the following Persons this 29th day of March, 2010 by Electronic Information Exchange.

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