

December 6, 2010

The Honorable Doc Hastings
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Hastings:

This responds to your letter of November 19, 2010, in which you expressed concerns regarding Commission action with respect to the Construction Authorization Board's decision denying the Department of Energy's motion to withdraw its application for the Yucca Mountain geologic repository. You request, in particular, that deliberations be concluded and a final order be affirmed, and request a date certain for issuance of a final order by the Commission in this matter.

Given that the adjudicatory process is ongoing, the Commission itself cannot discuss or comment on the issues involved. No specific date has been established for completion of the matter.

A copy of your letter and this response will be served on the participants in the *Yucca Mountain* proceeding. In addition, we will keep you informed of the Commission's decisions in this matter.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Annette L. Vietti-Cook

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