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Washington, DC 20555-0001

**Subject:** Request for Category 2 Public Meeting to Discuss Use of the Site-Specific Decommissioning Cost Estimates in Table A-4 of Draft NUREG-1307, Rev. 15 "Report on Waste Burial Charges" (Docket ID: NRC-2010-0362)

**Project Number: 689**

Dear Mr. Nieh:

The Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI)<sup>1</sup>, on behalf of the nuclear energy industry, is writing to request a Category 2 public meeting with the staff for the purpose of discussing licensee information utilized in the development of Table A-4, "Disposition of LLW Assumed in Preliminary Decommissioning Cost Estimates," of Draft NUREG-1307. We propose that this meeting be held at NRC Headquarters on the afternoon of Wednesday November 7, 2012.

We appreciate the extension of the public comment period on NUREG-1307 provided in your October 5 letter, and believe that this public meeting will facilitate the staff's understanding of industry's concerns with the information provided in Table A-4. More specifically, this meeting will provide an opportunity for industry to explain how the information contained in the site-specific cost estimates contained in Table A-4 was misinterpreted and misapplied to derive the 60%-40%, vendor-direct disposal ratio.

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<sup>1</sup> NEI is the organization responsible for establishing unified nuclear industry policy on matters affecting the nuclear energy industry, including the regulatory aspects of generic operational and technical issues. NEI's members include all utilities licensed to operate commercial nuclear power plants in the United States, nuclear plant designers, major architect/engineering firms, fuel fabrication facilities, materials licensees, and other organizations and individuals involved in the nuclear energy industry.

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Although we will likely address additional issues in our written comments on NUREG-1307, correction of potential errors associated with derivation of the vendor-direct disposal ratio is industry's highest priority at this time. Thus, we are requesting a meeting limited to this topic.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ralph Andersen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ralph L. Andersen

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