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Brady,

I wanted to touch base with you on a couple issues related to SNF management that are coming across our plate at NRC. First is work on NDE for canisters. I think Darrell may have discussed with you when he was there a few weeks ago but NRC may be looking to contract some work to look further at NDE options. From talking to Ryan Meyer, I know you are working on some project along those lines. A question you may be able to help address is whether PNNL would be conflicted to take work from NRC to look further into this. To the extent you can share, we'd like to know in more detail the scope of your current work. Second, we are currently thinking of doing some work on vacuum drying canisters, particularly to consider the quantity of residual water that may be left following typical practices. Bob Einziger told me you may be looking into this also. Is this true? Also, are vacuum drying operations actually done at the PNNL/Hanford site? If that were the case, I may have some interest to visit and see the systems if that's possible. Any help you can give would be appreciated.

Thanks,  
Greg

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