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VIA U.S. MAIL AND EMAIL

Kristine L. Svinicki, Chair
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Re: Holtec International HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage (CIS) License
Application, Docket Number 72-1051

Dear Chair Svinicki:

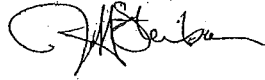
It has come to my attention that a document captioned "Resolution of Voting Members of the New Mexico Legislature Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Interim Committee", relating to Holtec International's proposed CIS facility in Lea County, New Mexico, was submitted to you on August 9, 2018. While this document was stylized as a "resolution" and signed by individual legislators who are members of the Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee, as chair of the committee, I am writing to advise you that the resolution was not discussed, voted on or adopted at any duly organized meeting of the committee. Accordingly, the resolution is not an official action of the committee and may only be considered the personal opinion of the individual legislators who signed it.

Furthermore, in the letter transmitting the August 9, 2018 communication to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I believe that Joy Russell, chief communications officer of Holtec International, made several inaccurate and highly inappropriate assertions regarding the committee's official confidence in the safety of Holtec's proposal. I am concerned that Holtec International would choose to speak on the committee's behalf. While the committee has heard presentations regarding various aspects of the transportation and storage of spent nuclear fuel in New Mexico, the committee has not taken any official action or position relating to Holtec International's application before the NRC.

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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