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SUBJECT: MEETING ON DECOMMISSIONING STANDARDS FOR THE
WEST VALLEY DEMONSTRATION PROJECT

Several NRC staff members assembled on November 20, 1990, to explain to representatives of the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) NRC's current regulatory initiatives on decontamination and decommissioning. A list of attendees is enclosed.

By the terms of the West Valley Demonstration Project Act, NRC must prescribe decontamination and decommissioning requirements for the WVDP. The Department of Energy (DOE) and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority are co-authoring an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to address options for Project termination and site closure. The EIS will consider all radioactively contaminated features of the West Valley site. NRC's prescription of decontamination and decommissioning requirements will have an effect on the cost and feasibility of the various site closure options, so the WVDP is anxious to obtain NRC's guidance.

Over the last two years, NRC staff have reviewed the Notice of Intent for the EIS as well as three preliminary documents relating to site characterization and planning for the EIS. The WVDP expects to have a draft EIS ready for release by July 1992. NRC and the WVDP have agreed in the past, and confirmed in this meeting, that it would be best if the two staffs meet regularly as the draft EIS is prepared to ensure that NRC staff are generally aware of progress on the EIS, and to ensure that WVDP staff are familiar with the latest NRC policies on decommissioning.

In the November 20 meeting, NRC staff explained the Below Regulatory Concern policy and discussed the status of supporting documents (such as NUREG/CR-5512), reviewed the contents of the 1988 Decommissioning Rule and 10 CFR 61, and discussed general expectations of how NRC's prescription of decontamination and decommissioning requirements might evolve.

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We agreed to meet again in December 1990 or January 1991. For that meeting, the WVDP will provide NRC a description of the basic site closure options, and the NRC staff will suggest a specific procedure for prescribing the necessary decontamination and decommissioning requirements.

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MEETING ON
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NOVEMBER 20, 1990
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

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