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G. Wayne Kerr, Director
Office of State Programs
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Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Kerr:

This letter is an official request from the State of Colorado to the NRC for assistance. The specific assistance requested is in regard to an application for a low-level radioactive waste disposal site in Colorado, and is in addition to the technical assistance already agreed upon.

The specific assistance requested is the development and publication of an Environmental Statement (ES) on the proposal similar to the one prepared by NMSS for the State of South Carolina on the Barnwell site operated by the same firm.

Currently one company is in the process of studying their private property in the area. Negotiations are in progress with regard to additional land acquisitions involving federal properties (BLM). No official proposal has been accepted by BLM at this time.

Should the license application and Environmental Report propose only private or state land involvement, we request an ES prepared by NRC in cooperation with the State of Colorado.

In the event that the proposal addresses federal lands, etc., BLM will author an ES with the cooperation of the State of Colorado and with the assistance herein requested of NRC.

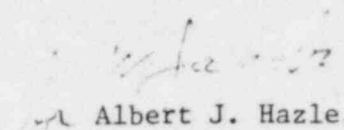
As agreed before, we will keep the NRC fully abreast of the situation as it develops so that appropriate plans and contingencies can be provided for.

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Your positive response to our request is anticipated.

Sincerely,


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