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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Patricia A. Comella, Deputy Director

Division of Health, Siting and

Waste Management

FROM:

Robert E. Browning, Acting Director

Division of Waste Management

SUBJECT:

COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AGREEMENT WITH JAPANESE

In response to your letter, dated February 8, 1983, I have informed J. W. Bennett, Director of the Geologic Repository Division of DOE, of the discussions with the Japanese regarding a cooperative research agreement. In light of the NMSS role as overall program manager for the agency wide high-level waste program, please keep us informed of any meetings, agreements, or travel that could affect NRC's programs or resources.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Original Signed by Robert C. Drowning

Robert E. Browning, Acting Director Division of Waste Management

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