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## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

February 22, 1988

The Honorable Roy Romer Governor of Colorado Denver, Colorado 80203-1792

Dear Governor Romer:

I have received your January 21, 1988 request for a representative of the Corridor Government Planning Group to participate on the Commission's High-Level Waste Licensing Support System Advisory Committee. The Commission appreciates your interest in the Advisory Committee, which is attempting to negotiate a consensus on the use of an electronic information management system for the records and documents relevant to the Commission's licensing proceeding for a high-level waste repository. The Commission has recently completed a revision to the composition of the Advisory Committee to reflect the recent amendments to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act. As noted in the February 5, 1988 Federal Register Notice announcing this revision (enclosed), additional membership on the new committee will be governed by committee protocols. Therefore, I have forwarded your request to the facilitator for the Advisory Committee, Mr. Howard S. Bellman, for consideration at the Committee's next meeting, which is to be held on March 22, 23, and 24, 1988, in Reno, Nevada.

I would also like to clarify an apparent misunderstanding concerning travel and other funding arrangements for the Advisory Committee. The Commission has not provided any funds to individual participants on the Committee. As we stated in the Federal Register Notice establishing the Committee (enclosed), the Commission is unable to provide any direct funding to individual participants because of a prohibition in the Commission's appropriations legislation.

If you need further information on the Committee's consideration of your request, please contact me or Mr. Howard S. Bellman, (608) 255-9393, or Mr. Francis X. Cameron of the NRC staff, (301) 492-1623.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures: As Stated

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