

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary
FROM: Commissioner Baran
SUBJECT: COMSECY-20-0013: Knowledge Management for High-Level Waste Disposal

Approved Disapproved Abstain Not Participating

COMMENTS: Below Attached None

During the last decade, the NRC staff has conducted extensive knowledge management activities related to the Yucca Mountain license review. In this paper, the staff proposes to expend an additional \$164,000 of Nuclear Waste Fund monies on a knowledge management “roadmap” to guide the staff through the key technical areas of the Yucca Mountain review. In my view, this activity is unnecessary. Moreover, given that the unknown costs of potential Yucca-related federal court litigation must be paid using Nuclear Waste Fund monies, it is prudent to retain a reasonable balance of the previously appropriated funds. For these reasons, I disapprove the proposal to develop a roadmap document.

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Yes

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