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Statement of Nye County, Nevada In Support Of Granting State Of Nevada's Petition For Rulemaking

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The Nye County Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office (NWRPO), on behalf of Nye County, Nevada, supports granting the Petition of the State of Nevada to initiate a rulemaking as requested in the Petition.

The NWRPO believes that the State of Nevada's petition raises legitimate and substantial issues that, in the public interest, should be fully explored in a notice and comment rulemaking. Furthermore, the NWRPO fully supports the need for a comprehensive assessment of the consequences of terrorist attacks that have the capability of sabotage, involving the entire spectrum of nuclear waste and spent nuclear fuel shipments to a potential repository.

If the Petition is granted, the NWRPO intends to comment extensively on the substantive requirements which should be included in any modification to 10 CFR Part 73, as well as in the comprehensive assessment of the consequences of terrorist activity affecting the shipment of spent nuclear fuel and high-level nuclear waste.

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