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Dear Mr. Linehan:

Enclosed is Revision 3 of the Quality Assurance Requirements Document (QAR) and Revision 2 of the Quality Assurance Program Description (QAPD) for your review and acceptance.

The purpose of these revisions is the first step in the consolidation of the OCRWM-HQ and Yucca Mountain Project Office (YMPO) Quality Assurance Programs; consistent with direct-line reporting of the YMPO to OCRWM-HQ. The YMP Quality Assurance Plan, NNWSI/88-9, Revision 4; the YMPO Quality Assurance Program Plan, YMPO/88-1, Revision 3; the OCRWM QAR, DOE/RW-0214, Revision 2; and the OCRWM QAPD, DOE/RW-0215, Revision 1 are now included in the subject QAR and QAPD.

In consolidating the documents, every attempt was made to retain the existing requirements thus having no impact on the OCRWM Program Participants quality assurance program plans or affect on the ongoing and planned activities performed at OCRWM-HQ and the YMPO. However, consistent with the NRC position conveyed at the February 15, 1990, DOE/NRC bimonthly meeting, during preparation of the documents, an evaluation was performed to identify existing text which did not originate from (1) a regulatory requirement, (2) the NRC Standard Review Plan or (3) a DOE mandated requirement. Therefore, inappropriate commitments that we feel will result in ineffective or inappropriate QA activities have not been included in the revised documents.

Also enclosed is a matrix comparing the quality assurance requirements of the QAR to the NRC Standard Review Plan, Revision 2.

It is requested that you terminate your ongoing review of Revision 2 of the QAR and initiate review of the subject documents. Any comments you may have at this point should be carried over to the Revision 3 review, as applicable.

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Should your office have any questions or require further information in support of your review, please contact the Office of Quality Assurance at 586-8858 or me at 586-1462.

Sincerely,

for Steven H. Rossi
Linda Desell

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Enclosures

- See Jacket*
1. Quality Assurance Requirements Document
 2. Quality Assurance Program Description Document
 3. Quality Assurance Matrix

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