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Dear Ms. Dixon

- 1 The Fort Mojave Indian Tribe of California, Arizona and Nevada do hereby request for an extension of the public comment period for the Draft EIS for the Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada.

Please extend the time frame to the end of April or the first week of May. This will allow affected Native American tribes to schedule a meeting to collectively discuss the potential impacts of this project. The Department of Energy should hold a public meeting specifically for receiving comment from the Native American people. This would be beneficial toward understanding the solemn relationship that Native people hold with Mother Earth.

The Fort Mojave Indian Tribe greatly appreciates your consideration in this matter and awaits a decision to be forthcoming regarding this request.

Respectfully,

Nora Helton, Chairperson
Fort Mojave Indian Tribe