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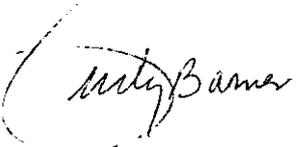
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Subj: Continued Opposition to the Yucca Mountain Project

1 Thank you for sending me a copy of the "Supplement to the Draft EIS for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada" as well as the "Executive Summary Yucca Mountain Science and Engineering Report." I have reviewed these documents but they do not appear to address any of the concerns expressed in my previous letter to your office (copy attached).

2 Also, due to the Draft EIS' "design evolution" feature, the plan outlined can and most probably will be modified. The stated reason is to "improve repository performance and reduce uncertainties in performance projections", however the reality might be that modifications will be made to the repository to accommodate fiscal concerns; i.e. to reduce excessive costs.

Therefore, please register my continued opposition to this project for the reasons previously stated.



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Attachment

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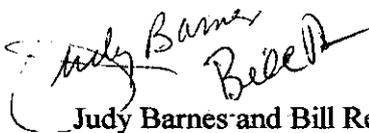
Re: Opposition to the Yucca project

We the undersigned are writing to voice our opposition to the Yucca project.

This project violates the treaty of Ruby Valley signed by the government in 1863 which entitles the Western Shoshone to the land encompassing Yucca and the U.S. Nuclear test site in Mercury, Nevada.

The Yucca plan is illegal under the Nuclear Waste Act due to disqualifying factors including hydrology (rainwater entering test holes) and socioeconomic factors (cattle grazing). In addition there is seismic and volcanic activity in the area which could pose a serious environmental threat should a seismic or volcanic incident occur.

We believe there is no entirely safe way to store nuclear waste and the best course of action would be to stop producing nuclear power. However, given that nuclear waste already exists it has been shown that monitored, retrievable storage is a better alternative to an underground permanent repository.



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