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Re: Comments on Supplement to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada

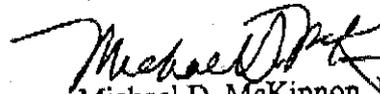
The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, Bureau of Federal Facilities staff (NDEP) has reviewed the referenced document and provides the following comments for consideration:

1. Section 2.2.2.2.2, 1st Bullet; and Section 2.3.2.1, 2nd paragraph: Reference is made to a "surface aging area". This would constitute temporary (interim) storage of high-level radioactive waste, which is prohibited.
2. Section 2.3.2.1, page 2-15: Placing fuel assemblies in a "fuel blending" area and maintaining this inventory until the assemblies were "selected for blending", would constitute temporary (interim) storage of high-level radioactive waste, which is prohibited.
3. Table 3-1, Footnote e: The receptor dose is calculated at a distance of 20 km (12 miles). The EPA has determined the appropriate distance is 11 miles.
4. Section 3.1.7: How much heat loading will occupational workers be exposed to in the drifts and other underground locations?
5. Section 3.1.12.1: One possibility is for construction and demolition debris to be disposed of at the NTS U-10c landfill. The Yucca Mountain waste is not authorized for NTS disposal.

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- 6 6. Section 3.1.12.3: One possibility is for sanitary and industrial solid waste to be disposed at the NTS Area 23 landfill. This waste is not authorized for NTS disposal.
- 7 7. Section 3.1.12.5: Low-level radioactive waste (LLW) generated at Yucca Mountain is to be disposed at NTS. This LLW is not authorized for NTS disposal.

Sincerely,


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