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1. I have reviewed subj draft EIS dtd July 1999 and its supplement dtd May 2001. I have also received the various announcements of extension. As a former Acting Deputy Director of the (then) Defense Nuclear Agency, I feel competent to address the issues involved.

1 2. An issue which has not been specifically identified in the EIS is that of recovered Special Nuclear Material (including Plutonium) from demobilized warheads. Until an economical way to use this waste material as fuel has been determined, a logical storage facility for it would be the Yucca Mountain Facility.

2 3. Without hesitation, I recommend proceeding with the proposed actions outlined in para 5.3 of the draft EIS and para 2.1 of the supplement.

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