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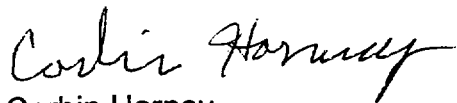
Bill Richardson
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Department of Energy
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Dear Sir:

I have asked the DOE, the Nuclear Energy Department to search where they claim to own the land, 'Yucca Mountain' and 'Nevada Test site', that's been agreed upon by the Federal Government and the Shoshone nation under the treaty of 1863 Ruby Valley Peace and Friendship. The land on Yucca Mountain and the Test Site has supported us for thousands of years. I have asked to have research done to show us how you got the land under your documents. You haven't shown us, the Shoshone nation that you own the land and I've got a document that I still own it. But under which law did you take the land that was set aside under your law? I want that document to be sent to me so I'll be satisfied. And today when I talk about those things the Nuclear Energy Department has never come up with any kind of documents that they own that land.

So I would really appreciate it if you would do more research and find out what law did you use, if there is a law protecting the treaty agreement. I'd like to know the way you took the land, you claim you did, I hear this over and over. Now let's get serious about it and you're the person that can do that kind of research because the Federal Government have said to us that they're going to protect our land under your law. This is what they call holding the land under Federal Trust for us?
Yours sincerely


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