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Washington, DC 20585

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**Mr. John Linehan, Acting Chief
Operations Branch
Division of High-Level Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555**

Dear Mr. Linehan:

The Department of Energy would like to schedule a technical exchange with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on September 29 and 30, 1988, covering the waste acceptance process (WAP) with respect to defense waste. The WAP was developed to formalize the activities within the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) to ensure waste form acceptability at the repository site.

One of OCRWM's responsibilities in coordinating waste form activities is to schedule technical exchanges with the NRC. Presently, the Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF) construction is nearing completion. Technical information concerning waste acceptance at this facility is ready for discussion with NRC. Enclosed please find a draft agenda (Enclosure 1) for the proposed technical exchange. If you have any comments or questions on the agenda items, we ask that you contact us in advance of the meeting.

Meeting materials (Enclosures 2 through 4) have been included for your use. These materials are as follows:

- 2) Draft Waste Acceptance Preliminary Specifications for the Defense Waste Processing Facility High-Level Waste Form, Revision 1 (WAPS, Rev. 1);
- 3) DWPF's Waste Form Compliance Plan (WCP); and
- 4) Quality Assurance Requirement for High-Level Waste Form Production (OGR/B-14)

We plan to interact with NRC at appropriate points as we move through the waste acceptance process and update the status of DWPF construction and startup activities.

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If you have any questions please call Mr. Edward P. Regnier of my staff on 586-4590. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ralph Stein".

Ralph Stein
Acting Associate Director for Systems
Integration and Regulations
Office of Civilian Radioactive
Waste Management

cc: R. Loux, State of NV

August 26, 1988

P R E L I M I N A R Y

PROPOSED AGENDA
DOE/NRC Technical Exchange
Room 6E-069, Forrestal Building
Washington, DC
September 29-30, 1988

DAY 1

8:30 - 8:45	<u>Welcome and Objectives</u>	DOE
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Welcomeb. Defense Waste Processing Facility (DWPF) Statusc. NRC Feedback<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Waste Acceptance Preliminary Specifications (WAPS)- Waste Compliance Plan	
8:45 - 9:15	<u>Defense Waste Processing Facility Status Update</u>	DP/SR
	<p>Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Background Update- Status of Defense Waste Processing Facility (Schedule of key activities)	
9:15 - 9:45	<u>Update on Waste Acceptance Preliminary Specifications</u>	RW
	<p>Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Background- WAPS for the DWPF HLW Form (OGR/B-8)- Resolution of Reserved Items	
9:45 - 10:15	<u>Discussion</u>	
10:15 - 10:30	<u>Break</u>	
10:30 - 11:30	<u>Presentation on Waste Compliance Plan (WCP)</u>	DP/SR
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Summary of Planb. Organizational Responsibilitiesc. Proposed Approach for Review for WCPd. Proposed Approach for Review for WQR	
11:30 - 12:30	<u>Lunch</u>	

12:30 - 1:30	<u>Discussion Period</u>	
1:30 - 2:00	<u>Specification of QA Requirements for HLW Form Production (OGR/B-14)</u>	DOE
2:00 - 2:15	<u>Break</u>	
2:15 - 3:00	<u>Status of DP/DWPF's QA Program</u>	DOE
3:00 - 4:00	<u>Discussion</u>	
4:00 - 4:30	<u>Summary of Meeting</u>	

- NRC
- DOE
- State of Nevada
- Plans for future meeting

DAY 2

8:00 - 12:00	<u>Preparation of Meeting Minutes</u>	DOE/NRC
12:00 - 1:00	<u>Lunch</u>	
1:00 - 2:00	<u>Final Sign-off of Meeting Minutes</u>	

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REPLY TO
ATTN OF: DP-123

SUBJECT: Waste Acceptance Preliminary Specifications for the Defense Waste Processing Facility High-Level Waste Form

TO: Stephen H. Kale, RW-20

Attached are the Waste Preliminary Specifications for the Defense Waste Processing Facility High-Level Waste Form (Rev. 1) with concurrence. Please contact K. A. Chacey (FTS 233-4970) of my staff for any questions.


Thomas B. Hindman, Jr.
Director, Office of Defense Waste
and Transportation Management
Defense Programs

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