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JUDY TRIECHEL,

appeared and gave the following statement:

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MS. TRIECHEL: A comment that I would like added to the record -- my name is Judy Triechel from the Nevada Nuclear Waste Task Force.

On the very first view graph that was shown during the presentation that preceded this portion of the meeting, it was the purpose of the draft or repository EIS, and underlined is "To solicit public input to the decision process."

1 I would like the record to show that I believe there was almost no effort made to solicit public input here in Boise, Idaho. I have talked to people here. They saw no notice in the newspaper, and for quite a long time the Department of Energy on its Internet site was running a date which was then changed.

And my office contacted the Department several times during that time and said to them that putting out the wrong date is almost worse than not giving people a date at all. And, in fact, I think it is. And there may be people who

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1 show up here next Thursday expecting that there is
2 going to be a hearing.

3 So I don't believe that that has been
4 done, and I don't believe that the NEPA process is
5 being carried out properly in this EIS. I would
6 also like to add for the record that I guess I
7 disagree with one of the statements made by a
8 previous speaker, and that is that waste will be
9 reduced in other places should the Yucca Mountain
10 repository go ahead.

11 From what I understand, waste may very
12 well increase here in Idaho, because a decision to
13 put a repository at Yucca Mountain, or perhaps any
14 repository, but certainly for the purposes of this
15 EIS one at Yucca Mountain, would then trigger the
16 importation of more waste here to Idaho, and it
17 may, in fact, increase nuclear activities which
18 result in more waste in many of the places, whether
19 it's commercial sites or military sites.

20 So I think that's another impact that
21 should be looked at. I would say that's about it
22 for this comment. Thank you.

23 HEARING OFFICER: Thanks very much. Is there
24 anybody else at this point who would like to make a
25 comment? We are scheduled to continue taking

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