Hearings for Site Recommendation Consideration of the Yucca Mountain Site for Geologic Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

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Comment Sheet

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- This hearing, ostensibly to provide for public input, denies the public the benefits of the analysis required by a final environmental impact statement (EIS) and final siting guidelines. The Nuclear Waste Policy Act ("NWPA") requires that both the public and the State have the opportunity to understand the "scientific" underpinnings of this monumental undertaking which has potential catastrophic impacts for Nevada & the whole nation.

The DOE should not elevate form over substance. Additional public hearings should be scheduled at the proper point after DOE has completed its final environmental impact statement and the final siting guidelines.

This hearing is premature and should not be interpreted as compliance with Section 114 of the NWPA which provides that Nevada's Governor or Legislature have the opportunity to submit a Notice of Disapproval with a Statement of Reasons. The Yucca Mountain repository is a bad idea and needs to be revisited by Congress. Nevada and the nation should not be subjected to this ~~monumental~~ gigantic public works project which will be subsidized by U.S. taxpayers who do not fully comprehend the impacts of the transportation of high-level nuclear waste through their cities and towns.

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