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Edward F. Sproat, Director  
Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Mr. Sproat,

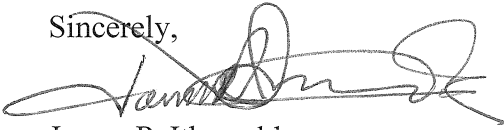
On behalf of the Eureka County Board of Commissioners, I am submitting the attached comments on the following U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) documents:

- "Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada" (DOE/EIS-0250F-S1D)
- "Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada – Nevada Rail Transportation Corridor" (DOE/EIS-0250F-S2D)
- "Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Rail Alignment for the Construction and Operation of a Railroad in Nevada to a Geological Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada" (DOE/EIS-0369D)

Eureka County, Nevada, is an "affected unit of local government" pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act as amended. Eureka County has been an active participant in the oversight program of the proposed Yucca Mountain nuclear waste repository since 1993. In that regard, the county has commented on numerous rules, regulations, proposals, policies, and plans related to the project. Primary areas of concern for Eureka County are related to public health and safety, and focus on rail and highway transportation, emergency management, project management, and issues related to the safety and integrity of the proposed repository to store and contain waste in the near term and into the distant future.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on these documents. Thank you for considering our concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James P. Ithurralde". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "I".

James P. Ithurralde  
Chairman

cc: Jane Summerson, DOE  
Ron Damele, Eureka County

Attachments: Comments with attachments