Finance Docket No. 35106

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## BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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APPLICANT: United States Department of Energy

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board

ACTION: Notice of Filing of an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience

and Necessity

## **Summary:**

The United States Department of Energy ("DOE") has filed an application with the Surface

Transportation Board ("Board") requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to

construct and operate approximately 300 miles of new rail line connecting existing rail line near

Caliente, Nevada, to a proposed geologic repository at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada.

The purpose of this rail line is to allow the DOE to transport spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste for disposal at a geologic repository, as well as to provide common carrier rail service to communities in Nevada situated along the rail line.

The DOE, with the Board as a cooperating agency, has prepared a *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 Nevada Rail Corridor SEIS") and *Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Rail Alignment for the Construction and Operation of a Railroad in Nevada to a Geologic Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada,* DOE/EIS-0369D ("Draft Rail Alignment EIS") to assess the environmental impacts of the proposed rail line and to meet the DOE's obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act. The Draft Nevada Rail Corridor SEIS and the Draft Rail Alignment EIS are available on the DOE's website at: http://www.ocrwm.doe.gov/transport/draft\_eis/index.shtml.

Hard copies are also available at:

DOE Public Reading Room 2341 Postal Drive Pahrump, Nevada 89048 (775) 751-7480

Documents also can be ordered by calling the OCRWM toll-free information line at 1-800-225-6972.

Any interested party may file written comments on the Application with the Board. Written

comments should indicate the matter, Finance Docket No. 35106, and should be filed with the

Secretary, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001.

Comments should be submitted on or before April 21, 2008. In accordance with 49 C.F.R. §

1150.10(g), the original and 10 copies of all comments shall be filed with the Board, and a copy

of each comment shall be served upon DOE's representatives:

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United States Department of Energy

1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.

Washington, DC 20585

Phone: 202-586-6842

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Director, Office of Logistics Management United States Department of Energy

1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.

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Copies of correspondence should also be sent to:

Assistant General Counsel for Civilian Nuclear Programs

ATTN: Bradley L. Levine, GC-52

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In accordance with 49 C.F.R. 1150.10(g) comments should contain the name and address of the

commenting party and a statement describing such party's interest, including whether such party

supports or opposes the application. In addition, a commenting party may provide a statement of

position and a summary of evidence pertaining to the application. If an oral hearing is desired,

this request, along with reasons why an oral hearing is warranted, should also be included in the

comments.

In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 1150.10(g), the Board will determine whether to hold a hearing,

either oral or through the receipt of written statements, after consideration of all comments and

the applicant's reply thereto and an assessment by the Board's Section of Environmental

Analysis.

Parties seeking further information concerning this Application or the procedures under which it

will be considered may contact:

Joseph Dettmar

Deputy Director, Office of Proceedings 395 E. Street, S.W.

Washington, DC 20423

(202) 245-0395

Copies of the Application are available for public inspection at the offices of the Board at:

Docket Room

395 E. Street, S.W.

Washington, DC 20423

Copies of the Application are also available from Applicant online at:

www.ocrwm.doe.gov

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