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Dear Ms. Summerson and Mr. Bishop,

1 [The Yucca Mountain site is in an unstable geologic area and thus not an acceptable choice as a nuclear waste disposal site. These highly deadly waste materials should be stored on-site, in retrievable casks, and not transported across the country. Other solutions need to be explored and prepared for before this dangerous choice is made. Spending priorities must allocate more attention to safer alternatives.]

2 [In addition, Yucca Mountain has been a sacred and beloved site for thousands of years to the local Native American tribes. This proposed storage site is in violation of the 1863 Treaty of Ruby Valley with the Western Shoshone, which clearly defines territorial borders for their nation. In April of 2004, the United Nation's Committee to End Racial Discrimination upheld the Shoshone claim in a record decision, and their declaration clearly identifies the Yucca Mountain Repository as one of several ongoing serious human rights violations by the United States against the Western Shoshone Nation.]

cont [Please do not proceed with this choice for the nuclear waste. The ongoing and indisputable research on this site clearly shows that storing nuclear waste in this area is not safe or ethical. Pursue other long-term possibilities, not ones that have a high likelihood of safety failure or ones that violate the highest law in the land.]

Sincerely,



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