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SUBJECT: Westinghouse Electric Company comments regarding the Department of Energy Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statements related to the Yucca Mountain Geological Repository

Dear Dr. Summerson:

Westinghouse Electric Company is please to submit to the Department of Energy (DOE) these comments related to the two draft supplemental environmental impact statements received for review and comment. These comments are directed specifically towards the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) 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) and to the DSEIS 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 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-0250F-S2D and DOE/EIS-0369D).

1 [Westinghouse Electric Company supports the Secretary of Energy's approach to fulfilling the Department's obligation to develop the Yucca Mountain site as a permanent geological repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. Regarding both draft supplemental environmental impact statements, Westinghouse finds the Department's additional consideration of the evolution of construction and operational plans and updated analytical tools relevant to estimating potential environmental impacts that have become available since approval of the Final Environmental Impact Statement in 2002 to be commendable. Westinghouse Electric Company feels the Department has vigorously addressed the National Environmental Policy Act and the Nuclear Waste Policy Act requirements in offering these supplements and in doing so, has exceeded the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act.

Westinghouse Electric Company looks forward to continuing to support the Department's approach in regards to the eventual licensing of the Yucca Mountain geological repository.]

Sincerely,

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