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EIS Office, US Dept. of Energy Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Mgmt. 1551Hillshire Drive M/S LasVegas, NV 89134

Dear DOE,

Re: Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Storage

We are writing to express our complete opposition to the storage of nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain.

- 1. With Yucca Mountain being on Shoshone land, with the rightful opposition of the Shoshone people, and their knowledge and first hand experience of the dangers of nuclear waste, that should be your first consideration. Try putting nuclear waste into any other community beyond Indian Country, and see what an uproar you will cause. Nobody wants this stuff in their backyard.
- 2 \( \) 2. We are opposed to shoving any nuclear waste into any hole and forgetting it, hoping that the problem will not arise again in our lifetimes.
  - 3. We firmly believe that until such time as the proper disposition of nuclear waste, such as a process for its degradation, can be developed, that we should not be creating more of such waste. Never mind that we should not have gone this route from the beginning.
  - 4. Putting the currently created waste into Yucca Mountain does not solve any problems, as we are sure you are aware. It just hides them for a while. The responsibility for storage of nuclear waste should rest with the people who are and have been creating it. Let them solve the problems right there on their sites. Any plan to "dispose" of nuclear

waste in Yucca Mountain or anywhere else, is just a palliative, and an encouragement to more irresponsible development of nuclear materials.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely, Bill and Myma Fox

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