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Dr. Jane Summerson
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Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management
M/S 010
1551 Hillshire Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89134

RE: State Application Identifier: MD20061018-1058

Project: Geologic repository for the disposal of spent fuel and waste at Yucca Mountain

Dear Dr. Summerson:

Thank you for providing the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) with the opportunity to comment on the above-referenced project. Copies of the documents were circulated throughout MDE for review, and it has been determined that this project is consistent with MDE's plans, programs and objectives.

Again, thank you for giving MDE the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to call me at (410) 537-4120.

Sincerely,

Joane D. Mueller

MDE Clearinghouse Coordinator

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cc: Bob Rosenbush, State Clearinghouse