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MS. FISHEL: My name is Julie Ann Fishel, F-i-s-h-e-l, and I live in Crescent Valley, Nevada. And I'm a concerned citizen and also a staff member of the Western Shoshone Defense Project.

And for the record, I would like to submit the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discriminations, Decision 1(68). And this decision is applied to the treaty of Ruby Valley, which includes the facility where the location where the Yucca Mountain facility is proposed.

In this decision, United Nations Committee states the illegality of the U.S. claim to ownership of this land and recommends the United States freeze, desist and stop any further actions on Western Shoshone

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1 land, in particular the federal effort to open a nuclear
2 waste repository at Yucca Mountain.

3 And the recommendations are included from
4 paragraphs 8 through 11 of the decision, with specific
5 reference to Yucca Mountain in paragraph 7B. And we
6 also will be submitting written comments.

7 (Off the record.)

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MS. FISHEL: I also see a clear conflict of interest with the involvement of the corporate entity, Bechtel SAIC, in the feasibility approval process of the Yucca Mountain repository or their rail cord and rail alignment scoping process because they are the company

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13 that also been awarded the construction contract for the
14 Yucca Mountain facility and I believe it's a conflict of
15 interest to have that same corporate entity working on
16 the feasibility and approval process. And I would
17 strongly encourage the Department of Energy or
18 Department of Interior to seek out an independent third
19 party source for those studies.

20 MR. LUPTON: Thank you.

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