

Memorandum

To : Barbara Byron
California Energy Commission

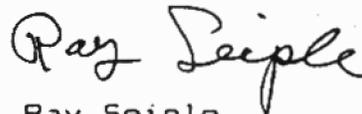
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Subject: Comments on the Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Plan (SCP).

Attached are comments on the SCP prepared by Jeffrey K. Howard of the Environmental Protection Program. I am submitting these comments as the Department's designated representative on the Interagency Task Force on High-level Nuclear Waste.

We have commented on six (6) specific areas of the SCP: groundwater, volcanic hazards and hydrogeologic conceptual models, paleoclimatic effects, seismic hazards, cooperation in geological and seismological studies and waste transportation route. Any future investigations to finalize the site's environmental characteristics should be designed to provide the necessary data, or satisfy the recommendations, suggested in these six areas.



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