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Lake Barrett, Acting Director
Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management
U.S. Department of Energy
Washington, D.C. 20585

Dear Ms. Barrett:

This is regarding your recent letter to Governor Gary Locke, offering the state of Washington an opportunity to provide comments on the Yucca Mountain issue. The governor has asked me to respond on his behalf.

While the state appreciates being given the opportunity to participate in this process, we do not have any comments regarding the technical suitability of Yucca Mountain as a repository location.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to participate.

Sincerely,

Michael Wilson
Program Manager
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