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3 MS. GROTE: My name's Jennifer Grote, and I
4 didn't bring a prepared statement or anything. I just
5 want to say that I have been living in Las Vegas since
6 1990, and when I first got to Las Vegas, I heard about
7 Yucca Mountain and what they were going to do. I met
8 some of the people that worked at the site, and I also
9 talked to some of the people that are against the test
10 site. I am against nuclear waste being dumped here.
11 I'm against it being produced in any way, shape or
12 form. And I know that most of the people in this state
13 do not want Yucca Mountain.

14 It seems like the more we say no, the more
15 they shove it down our throat. And I don't understand
16 why, if no one in this -- 90 percent of the people do
17 not want the waste dumped here. We do not produce it.
18 Why are they, why are they making us take it? You
19 know, when President Bush was running for office, he
20 said he was going to give the state back to the state.
21 I don't see that happening. I don't see that at all.
22 I see the government pushing their will on the state of
23 Nevada.

24 I have studied this. I'm not just speaking

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25 because I say no. I have researched it. My daughter's
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1 researched it. We've looked it up, and the more I look
2 it up, the more negative stuff I find about it. I
3 don't find anything positive about this being dumped
4 here, except for the, some of the things I've heard in
5 these meetings, maybe one out of 10, 15 people get up
6 and say, yes, they're for it.

7 I'm a union member. I'm all for jobs, but
8 I'm not for giving up lives. I'm not for us losing
9 citizens of our state, because people will move if this
10 is dumped here. We will lose our economy. And people
11 don't want to come here to be tourists if they know
12 that this is being dumped here and they may be drinking
13 water that has nuclear waste in it.

14 I'm not -- you know, I see these people show
15 up every single meeting. You know, and they're not
16 doing it because they get paid. They're doing it
17 because they're dedicated to this cause, and it's all a
18 volunteer thing, and they don't make it easy to come to
19 these meetings. It was not easy for us to get here
20 today, but we're here because we believe that, you
21 know, I just wanted it to go on record that I say no,

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22 and I am a resident of Nevada, and I say no, and I

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23 don't want it here. Thank you.