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**U. S. Department of Energy Environmental Impact Statement for the Alignment,
Construction and Operation of a Rail Line to a Geologic Repository at Yucca
Mountain, Nye County, Nevada**

SCOPING COMMENT SHEET

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COMMENTS:

I am in favor of the establishment of the Yucca Mountain Repository, and of the rail alternative for transportation of nuclear waste to the site.

I urge that, as much as practicable, the railroad right-of-way be unfenced, to allow free access across the tracks, and not establish artificial boundaries to livestock and wildlife movement.

I urge that, insofar as it does not interfere with DOE operations, the railroad be made available for public access as a common carrier for the transportation of agricultural, livestock and natural resource traffic. In particular, development of industrial mineral resource deposits in central Nevada would likely be encouraged by the availability of rail transportation.

Thank you for the opportunity to attend the scoping session in Reno and to comment. I will appreciate receiving information on the Rail Alignment Environmental Impact Statement by mail.

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