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Ms. Carol Hanlon
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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

I support the use of Yucca Mountain, Nevada for the national repository for high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel. I ask that the Department of Energy recommend the use of this site to President George W. Bush.

Nuclear Power currently accounts for approximately 20% of the electricity generated in the United States. I believe that we need to keep it viable to adequately maintain diversity in the United States electric generating sources. In order to maintain the nuclear option, I believe it is imperative that we solve the associated with the permanent disposal of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel.

The Department of Energy has spent several years in determining the optimum site for the national repository and after careful research has selected Yucca Mountain. The National Academy of Sciences has independently reviewed their work and has affirmed that geologic disposal is the only scientifically and technically credible solution to the high-level radioactive waste storage issue. I believe that the scientific evidence shows that Yucca Mountain exceeds the criteria for this type of facility.

For these reasons, I urge the Department to recommend the Yucca Mountain site to the President.

Sincerely,

Domenic A. DiPaolo

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