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Dear Steve:

We were very happy and proud to have received the ten boxes of documents on the WIPP original permit from your office on Friday, June 28, 2002. The documents and other materials that you have so generously donated to us are historic and unique. This information which you have given the ATR Institute helps to promote the participatory nature of our democracy. These documents of significance deserve to be preserved and made available online to the public.

While we at the ATR Institute have not yet had adequate time to review the contents, we are confident that much of the material you have so thoughtfully provided us will be suitable for placement in our Transportation Resource Exchange Center (T-REX) Website and Virtual Library. T-REX is a national clearinghouse for information regarding the transport of radioactive wastes and materials.

As a token of our thanks we would like to share with you a couple of interesting artifacts that we have received from past nuclear conferences we have attended. The mouse pad is very cute and "Homer Simpson-esque." And we do not know quite what to say about the CD-ROM carrying case from the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Institute of Nuclear Materials Management except that we like it. Please feel free to use these items with our compliments.

Thank you again, Steve, for giving us the chance to have these documents. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Mary E. White
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