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Subject: Closure of the Idaho Generator Site Technical Review by the Co-permittees at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

Reference: Letter to Todd Shrader, CBFO Manager from John Zimmerman, Deputy Manager, DOE Idaho Operations Office, dated September 11, 2017;
Subject: Transmittal of Responses to the Remaining Two Open Issues from GSTR-ID-1-17-01 (WDP-AMWTP-17-013)

Dear Mr. Zimmerman:

In January of 2017, the Department of Energy (DOE), Carlsbad Field Office and Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP) as co-permittees of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) conducted the on-site portion of the Generator Site Technical Review (GSTR) at Idaho. The GSTR was mandated by the WIPP Documented Safety Analysis in response to the radiation release incident at WIPP in February 2014.

This letter shall serve as notice that the subject GSTR is complete and all identified issues have been satisfactorily addressed and resolved. This is an important step in the resumption of shipping of newly generated TRU waste from Idaho to WIPP. The co-permittees received generous cooperation from the DOE staff and contractors of both organizations. Please pass along our thanks to them for that cooperation.

The GSTR is an ongoing process. Follow-on reviews will occur as directed by DOE. If you have any questions, please direct them to Courtland Fesmire of my staff at (575) 706-0044 or courtland.fesmire@cbfo.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

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