

**MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA**

Name of Organization: Nevada Legislature's Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste  
(Nevada Revised Statutes 459.0085)

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2002  
10 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Grant Sawyer State Office Building  
Room 4401  
555 East Washington Avenue  
Las Vegas, Nevada

Note: Some members of the committee may be attending the meeting and other persons may observe the meeting and provide testimony, through a simultaneous videoconference conducted at the following location:

Legislative Building  
Room 2135  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, Nevada

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**A G E N D A**

- I. Introductions and Opening Remarks  
Assemblyman Harry Mortenson, Chairman
- \*II. Approval of Minutes of the January 29, 2002, Meeting
- \*III. Reports to Committee
  - A. Update on Status of the High-Level Radioactive Waste Program of the United States Department of Energy (DOE)  
J. Russell Dyer, Ph.D., Project Manager, DOE Yucca Mountain (Nevada)  
Site Characterization Office  
Topics to include:
    - 1. Status of current studies and research regarding Yucca Mountain
    - 2. Overview of the license application that must be submitted by the DOE to the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for authorization to begin construction of a geologic high-level radioactive waste repository at Yucca Mountain
    - 3. Schedule of the DOE's license application to the NRC
    - 4. Plan to transport nuclear waste from reactor sites located throughout the United States to Yucca Mountain, including routes and mode selection through Nevada
  - B. Update on Status of the NRC Regulatory Process for Licensing a Geologic High-

## Level Radioactive Waste Repository

Robert Latta, Senior On Site Representative, NRC

Topics to include:

1. Overview of the NRC's licensing process regarding the DOE's application for authorization to construct a geologic high-level radioactive waste repository at Yucca Mountain, including a description of the three phases of the NRC's licensing process
2. Role of the NRC in the pre-licensing process of authorizing the construction of a geologic high-level radioactive waste repository at Yucca Mountain

### C. Update on the Activities of the Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects' (NANP)

Robert R. Loux, Executive Director, NANP

Marta A. Adams, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

Joseph Egan, Special Deputy Attorney General, Egan and Associates

Topics to include:

1. Overview of New Mexico's experiences with the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, including successes and failures in bargaining for benefits from the federal government
2. Status of pending court actions regarding Yucca Mountain in which the State is involved and the legal services for which NANP is contracting

### D. Update on High-Level Radioactive Waste Activities of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)

Linda Sikkema, Program Principal, NCSL

### E. Update on Oversight Activities of the Affected Units of Local Governments (*The Nuclear Waste Policy Act*)

Les Bradshaw, Manager, Department of Natural Resources and Federal Facilities, Nye County

Henry Neth, Commissioner, Nye County

Irene Navis, Clark County Nuclear Waste Division, Clark County

Representatives invited from Churchill, Esmeralda, Eureka, Lander, Lincoln, Mineral, and White Pine Counties in Nevada and Inyo County in California

## IV. Public Testimony

## V. Comments and Discussion by Committee Members

## VI. Adjournment

**\*Denotes items on which the committee may take action.**

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