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Ms. Linda Cohn, SWEIS Document Manager
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Re: Final Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) and Off-Site Locations in the State of Nevada (DOE/EIS-0426) – Request for 60-Day Extension of Time to Submit Comments

Dear Ms. Cohn:

The purpose of this letter is to formally request an extension of time for submitting comments on the Final Site-Wide EIS for the NNSS and Off-Site Locations in the State of Nevada. The Federal Register Notice (78 FR 12309) published February 22, 2013, states that the review period ends March 25, 2013. The 30 day comment period is not sufficient for an extensive, in-depth review of this lengthy and complex three-volume document and the attendant reference materials. Additional time is specifically required for technical analysis of the transportation risk evaluations and for legal analysis of references to, and reliance upon, DOE EISs prepared in 2002 and 2008 for the now-terminated Yucca Mountain repository project. The Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects joins the City of Las Vegas and others in requesting that DOE extend the time for commenting on the Final Site-Wide EIS by 60 days.

Respectfully,

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cc  Clark County
     City of Las Vegas
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     Leo Drozdoff, DCNR