



## Hearings for Site Recommendation Consideration of the Yucca Mountain Site for Geologic Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

### Comment Sheet

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This hearing to consider a "preliminary" site suitability evaluation of the proposed high-level nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain is premature and denies the public, and the State of Nevada and all U.S. taxpayers the benefit of a final environmental impact statement (EIS) on Yucca Mountain and final siting guidelines — both documents necessary to inform public input.

The Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA) has sequential requirements that are being circumvented by DOE at the behest of the morally bankrupt nuclear power industry. The nuclear industry can safely utilize dry cask storage for existing nuclear waste and can investigate more appropriate, safer solutions than this colossal project which will not protect work and places the entire country in harm's way.

Yucca Mountain can not safely accommodate (nuclear waste) and scientific disqualifiers (seismic) are being ignored by DOE. Additional public hearings are necessary at the point that DOE has completed its final environmental impact statement and final siting guidelines. The Yucca Mountain project is not capable of geologically isolating nuclear waste from the natural and human environment. Congress should reconsider this project and require the nuclear industry to develop its own solutions without taxpayer subsidization.

Please note: For your comment(s) to be considered by the Secretary of Energy before a decision is made whether to recommend the site to the President, your comment(s) need to be received by the U.S. Department of Energy by September 20, 2001. To the extent practicable, the Department will consider comments received after September 20, 2001.

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