



Department of Energy

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Dr. Nathan Siu
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Dear Dr. Siu,

The U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Nuclear Energy appreciates your letter of April 24th, 2024, which summarized the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board's 2023 International Workshop on Siting of Radioactive Waste Facilities and Summer Board Meeting. In that meeting, held on August 29-30, 2023, in Idaho Falls, Idaho, information was presented by DOE and national laboratory participants to help update the Board's understanding of the lessons learned from the siting of radioactive waste management facilities domestically and in other countries and to hear how DOE has addressed, or plans to address, the Board's recommendation to incorporate lessons learned into its consent-based siting efforts.

The Board's letter provided findings and recommendations on these DOE's activities. DOE appreciates the Board's input to our program and looks forward to its future insights on DOE's activities related to the management and disposal of SNF and HLW.

The enclosure provides DOE's responses to the Board's specific recommendations. If you have any questions on the responses, please contact Marla Morales at marla.morales@nuclear.energy.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Michael Goff".

K. Michael Goff
Acting Assistant Secretary
Office of Nuclear Energy

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