MINUTES CLARK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, NUCLEAR WASTE DIVISION YUCCA MOUNTAIN NUCLEAR WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 9, 2006

Irene Navis, chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

- Welcome and Introductions: Irene Navis welcomed the attendees (Exhibit A), who introduced themselves. Members present: Brok Armantrout, Curtis Brown, Jared Gerber, Peggy Maze Johnson, Clete Kus, Caren Levenson, Melvin McCallum, Calvin Meyers, Irene Navis, Frank Perna, Maggie Plaster, Maria Rodriquez, Ned Thomas, Holly Woodward, and Eric Young. Members excused: Mayor Nicholes, Daryl Thome, and Dr. William Wells.
- 2. Consideration of Meeting Minutes: The March 6, 2006, minutes were unanimously approved.
- **3.** Legal parameters for public outreach—DA's Office Representative: Held to next meeting due to unavailability of deputy DA.
- 4. DOE Progress and Member Updates:
 - The new, proposed bill is being considered by Congress to "fix" the Yucca Mountain Project. The bill would expedite the DOE's license process and transportation planning. The bill appears to be written in such a way that it removes any possible venue for litigation by any state, including the state of Nevada in terms of transportation, environmental, and regulatory challenges.
 - GNEP and the 2007 Department of Energy budget may be linked together. The DOE lies about Yucca Mountain are very apparent based on how their budget is defined. FYI: 1) Bush Administration supports the proposed bill to ensure nuclear waste storage at Yucca Mountain, and 2) France's nuclear energy (**Exhibit B**).
 - The earliest DOE may submit its license application is the summer of 2008.

5. Methods to increase public participation at formal, scheduled meetings:

- The brainstorming session looked at ways to increase public awareness. The ideas can be used as an outline for a general public information meeting (**Exhibit C**).
- North Las Vegas had best attendance when it had smaller neighborhood meetings. Use View newspapers that are targeted toward each community to reach the public.
- Use the internet, such as FaceBook and MySpace to reach and network younger people through links to the Clark County Nuclear Waste web page.
- Use Metro's First Tuesday (at their substations) to tie in nuclear waste transportation.
- There were 640 hits last month for the pod casts. This is an increase of about 600 hits. The e-mail newsletter distribution is over 1,000.
- Representatives from the Yucca Mountain Advisory Committee should meet with the council and members of the Moapa Band of Paiutes tribe. The idea is to bring Yucca Mountain information to the council and tribal members.
- 6. Discuss committee roles, responsibilities, and activities in 2006/2007: Held to next meeting.
- 7. Next meeting date; select agenda items: TBD