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MEMORANDUM TO: E. William Brach, Director
Spent Fuel Project Office, NMSS

FROM: Donald A. Cool, Director Original Signed by
Division of Industrial and
Medical Nuclear Safety, NMSS

SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENTS ON HOLTEC COC RULEMAKING

This is a followup to the e-mail sent on April 21, 1999. The public comment period on the proposed CoC rulemaking for the Holtec International HI-STAR 100 cask system has ended. Copies of the nine comment letters are attached. The majority of the comments focus on the preliminary CoC and SER, the technical specifications, and the Topical SAR. All comments must be addressed in the final rule package. Because of the technical nature of these comments, we are requesting that SFPO staff assist in preparing responses to the comments contained in the following letters: Shillinglaw (letter 2), Holtec International (letters 3 and 5), Excel Services Corporation (letter 6), State of Utah (letter 8), and ComEd (letter 9). IMNS will take the lead to respond to comments in letters 1, 4, and 7.

The final rulemaking is being tracked by the EDO and is due July 27, 1999. In order to meet this date, we will need to have the comments resolved in early June, no later than June 4. The final rule package is scheduled to go out for Office concurrence June 28, 1999.

If you have any questions, please contact Merri Horn at 415-8126 or Stan Turel at 415-6234.

Attachments: Comment Letters 1 - 9

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