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The Secretary
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Atttention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff

On December 21, 1999 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) posted a notice in the Federal Register (Volume 64, Number 244, pages 71331-71333) requesting comments on the NRC's intention to amend its regulations to require licenses to notify Indian tribes in advance of certain shipments of high level radioactive waste, including spent fuel.

The Fond du Lac Tribe, located in the sate of Minnesota, fully supports this proposal which would require advance notification to Indian tribes that high-level nuclear waste or spent fuel shipments would be going through their territory. We applaud your efforts to move forward on this important issue, which not only helps us protect our people and lands, but also recognizes tribal sovereignty.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide these comments.

Respectfully,

Robert Peacock Chairperson