PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada hereby gives notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. The Administrator has received a complete application for a water pollution control permit from the following applicant:

The Nevada Operations Office of the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration/Nevada Site Office

On the basis of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Water Pollution Control Permit NEV96021, a permit to discharge to the water of the state.

Persons wishing to comment upon the determination by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or to request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code must deliver their comment or their request, either in person or by mail, to:

Water Pollution Control Program Manager Bureau of Federal Facilities Division of Environmental Protection 2030 East Flamingo, Suite 230 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

All comments received within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this Notice will be considered in the final determination regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be advertised not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give the public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments to the revisions will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, and other information are on file in the Las Vegas office of the Division. Copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Greg Raab at (702) 486-2850, extension 242. Interested parties can find this notice and additional supporting information on the State of Nevada's web page at:

http://www.state.nv.us/ndep/admin/public.htm

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.