Purpose of Meeting

• Discuss process for NRC review of West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP) Phase 1 Decommissioning Plan (DP)
• Opportunity for stakeholders to ask questions and express their views relative to DP process
NRC WVDPA Act Responsibilities

- Prescribe decommissioning criteria
- Informal review and consultation
- Monitoring

Decommissioning Process under WVDPA Act

Decommissioning Criteria

- NRC prescribed decommissioning requirements in accordance with Section 2(a)(5) of the WVDPA Act
  - NRC selected the License Termination Rule (LTR) (10 CFR part 20, subpart E) as the decommissioning requirements in its February 1, 2002 Policy Statement (67 FR 5003)
Decommissioning Process under WVDP Act
Informal Review and Consultation

• Section 2(c)…review and consultation provided by the Commission pursuant to this subsection shall be conducted informally … and shall not include nor require formal procedures or actions by the Commission pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, or any other law.

Decommissioning Process under WVDP Act
Need for a DP

• Section 2(c)(1) The Secretary shall submit to the Commission, for its review and comment, a plan for … decontamination of the facilities … used in solidifying the waste.
Decommissioning Process under WVDP Act

Informal Review and Consultation

• DOE required by WVDP Act to submit plan for NRC review and comment
• NRC required to provide comments and specify with precision its objections to any provision of the plan

Decommissioning Process under WVDP Act

Informal Review and Consultation

• DOE submits Phase 1 DP
  – DOE publishes Federal Register notice and makes DP available for public inspection as required by Section 2(c)(1) of the WVDP Act.
  – Under the WVDP Act, NRC cannot institute a formal process to solicit and respond to public comments on the DP.
Decommissioning Process under WVDP Act

Informal Review and Consultation

• Completeness review
• Technical review
• Request additional information (RAI), if necessary
• Technical evaluation report (TER)

Steps After NRC Review and Comment on the Phase 1 DP

Monitoring

• DOE remediation per Phase 1 DP
• NRC in-process monitoring
• DOE submits Final Status Survey Report (FSSR)
• NRC reviews FSSR and conducts confirmatory survey, if needed
Opportunities for Public Participation in the Decommissioning Process

- Six month public review of draft Environment Impact Statement
- Meetings between NRC and DOE on the DP will be noticed and open to the public
- DP, TER, RAI, and RAI responses will be made available for public inspection

Preliminary Phase 1 DP Review Schedule

- 12/8/08 - DP Receipt (ML083659423)
- 4/15/09 - Draft RAIs
- 5/15/09 - Transmit RAIs
- 8/15/09 - DOE Response to RAIs
- 10/15/09 - Complete Technical Evaluation
- 12/15/09 - Transmit TER
Correspondence

• Correspondence sent to NRC will be processed in following manner:
  – Public ADAMS
  – Acknowledgement Letter
  – RAIs
• Comments should be sent to DOE

Correspondence

• Correspondence to NRC should be addressed to:

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