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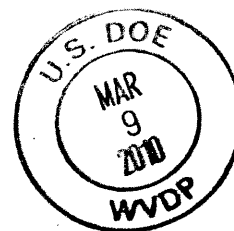


Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

February 16, 2010

The Honorable Eric Massa
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515



Dear Congressman Massa:

Thank you for your December 18, 2009, letter supporting the public engagement process for the West Valley Demonstration Project (WVDP). We appreciate your ongoing support for the important work that we are doing at West Valley. The Department of Energy (DOE) is proud of its exceptional record of public involvement at the WVDP and intends to maintain that practice during and beyond the ongoing National Environmental Policy Act process. Public meetings will continue to be held on at least a quarterly basis, and additional public meetings will be held, as necessary, to assure timely communication with the public. DOE and New York State Energy Research and Development Authority will continue to support the West Valley Citizen Task Force.

We are committed to cleaning up the WVDP in accordance with the WVDP Act and to providing the public with the opportunity for review and input. If you have further questions, please contact me or Mr. Stephen Lerner, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 586-5450.

Sincerely,

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