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Yucca Mountain Project Update

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Purpose

- **Provide Status of the Yucca Mountain Project Key Issues**
- **Provide Overview of Areas of Management Attention**



Best Achievable Schedule Program Key Milestones

- **License Application Design Complete- Nov. 2007**
- **LSN Certification- December 2007**
- **Supplemental EIS- May 2008**
- **License Application Submittal- June 2008**
- **Start Nevada Rail Construction- October 2009**
- **YM Construction Authorization- September 2011**
- **Operating License Submittal- March 2013**
- **Rail Line Operational- June 2014**
- **Begin Receipt- March 2017**



Program Strategic Objectives

- **Submit a high-quality and docketable license application to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission no later than June 30, 2008**
- **Design, staff and train the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) organization so it has the skills and culture needed to design, license, and manage the construction and operation of the Yucca Mountain Project with safety, quality, and cost effectiveness**



Program Strategic Objectives

- **Address the Federal Government's mounting liability associated with unmet contractual obligations to move spent fuel from nuclear plant sites**
- **Develop and begin implementation of a comprehensive national spent fuel transportation plan that accommodates state, local and tribal concerns and input to the greatest extent practicable**



Key Issues Update

- **Legislative Proposal**
 - Access to Waste Fund
 - Land Withdrawal
 - 70K MT Limit Removal
- **FY '07 Appropriations**
 - \$444.5M
- **FY '08 Budget Request**
 - \$494.5 M
- **Nevada Rail Mina Corridor**



Areas of Senior Management Attention

- **The License Application**
- **The Organization**
 - **Business Processes**
 - **Strategic Planning**
 - **Staffing**
 - **Management Development**
 - **Culture**
- **The Congress**
 - **Education**
 - **Building Credibility**

