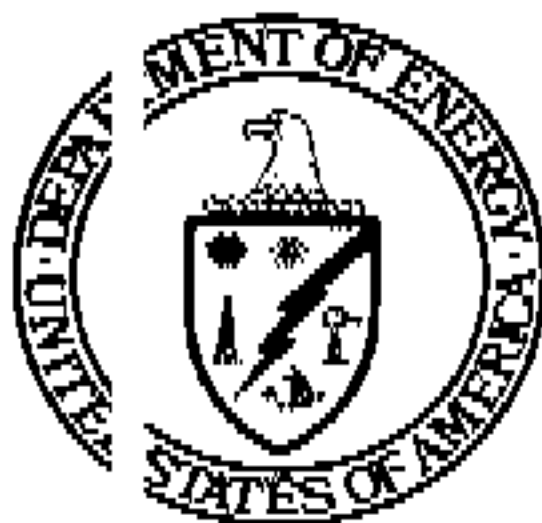


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Mr. Thor Strong, Chair  
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Dear Mr. Strong:

Thank you for your March  
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*Routing*

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*Section 180(c) Assistance*

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to conduct numerous discussions with interested parties regarding the operation of the waste. In addition, Task number 10 provides for SRG participation in the *Transportation Practices Manual* issues, rail routing, inspection,

### *Full-Scale Cask Testing*

We continue to support the NRC's performance of full-scale certification requirements in transportation activities. The Congressional budget for Cask Testing at existing test facilities at Sandia for rail casks, and to accommodate the need to provide funds to allow pro-

### *Winter Shipments*

We understand your concern regarding winter shipments in your jurisdictions. We expect to address this matter. In addition, Task n provides for SRG participation in *Transportation Practices M* issues, transportation operations, and adverse weather.

As previously stated, the a at this time. We anticipate many others as we develop shipments in 2010. If you at (202) 586-3670.