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Senator Phil Pavlov  
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**Subject: Additional Public Hearing Days for the Deep Geologic Repository Project**

Dear Senator Pavlov:

The Deep Geologic Repository Joint Review Panel acknowledges receipt of your submission and request to participate in the additional hearing days scheduled for September 2014. The Panel is a quasi-judicial administrative tribunal operating under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012* and the *Nuclear Safety and Control Act*.

In accordance with the Panel's Amended Public Hearing Procedures (the Procedures), and as indicated to you in previous correspondence (CEAR # 1980, <http://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/050/documents/p17520/99682E.pdf>), the additional hearing days are solely for the purpose of addressing the six subjects covered in the information requests issued by the Panel since November 2013. Only written submissions and oral presentations directly connected to one or more of the six subjects outlined in section 1.4.1 of the Procedures were accepted by the Panel for the upcoming hearing.

Section 1.4 of the Procedures indicates: The Panel considers the additional hearing days to be an essential part of the review process, and will give careful consideration to all submissions and perspectives, whether in writing, oral or both, that address one or more of the six hearing subjects.

Your submission has been carefully reviewed and considered by the Joint Review Panel. The submission does not address any of the six subjects that are the basis for the additional hearing days, and no revised submission or explanation of how the submission may relate to any of the six subjects has been received. Therefore, the Panel is unable to accept your written submission or grant your request to make an oral presentation at the additional hearing days due to the lack of adherence with the criteria for participation.

Your written submission will be posted on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry for this project and will be considered by the Panel as a comment received.

The Panel has accepted a majority of the requests to participate. Each approved submission provides input on one or more of the six outstanding subjects for which the Panel requires more information in order to complete its mandate. The Panel notes that Michigan Senator Hopgood is scheduled to make an oral presentation to the Panel at the additional hearing days and that Michigan State Representative Terry Brown is participating by written submission to the Panel. The Panel has also accepted requests to participate from other individuals and organizations from Michigan and elsewhere in the United States.

Any questions that you may have may be directed to the Panel Co-Managers, Kelly McGee at \_\_\_\_\_ or Debra Myles at <telephone numbers removed>

Sincerely,

<original signed by>

Kelly McGee  
Co-Manager  
Deep Geologic Repository Joint Review Panel

c.c.: Laura Haynes, Director of Constituent Relations

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