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## **Open Invitation** Idaho National Laboratory Tour

Dear Friends:

I would like to hope that you could at least credit us with having the determination to continue our grassroots education of Nevada's public in regards to "our nation's" Yucca Mountain program. It has been difficult for us with the political opposition, in our opinion, based on ill-founded opinion. We also know through Congressional testimony that the casino industry opposes the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste program. We understand the political emotional position on Yucca. Our request is, instead of a deadlock like we have in WA politics, please, at least consider our OPEN INVITATION for a tour of the Idaho National Laboratory.

We are asking for a bipartisan, reciprocal dialogue about Yucca Mountain. It is a <u>national</u> <u>important safety and security program</u> necessary for <u>resolution</u>. We are requesting that you research our educational materials and others to form your "conclusion" based on science & technology BEFORE you render a "political opinion".

We know that the world is seeking cost efficient energy and solar is improving, but, with this, we still cannot meet our proposed carbon emissions without expanding our nuclear portfolio. It has been unfairly demonized for 50 years and its advancements in efficiency and safety have not been made known to the public leaving our political representatives to their opinion rather than public representation.

Our request is that you participate in the science and engineering behind Yucca Mountain AND its economic and educational value to the State of Nevada and its citizens. The information we have provided is quite focused with an overview of several topics concerning nuclear technology. They all need to be reviewed because they are all connected to the past, current, and future of nuclear development.

Gary J. Duarte, Director

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This is an **open invitation** for any motivated people who would be eager to tour the Idaho National Laboratory, **advanced reactors and spent nuclear fuels processing and storage**, **Nuclear Experts**?



Our interest is to assemble small groups of stakeholders who can experience the tour and share the dialogue with each other.

If you would rather consider your tour as an individual without a group, you are welcome to contact INL directly. Either way a research tour about advanced nuclear technology is extremely valuable.

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