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Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects Announces Retirement of Executive Director Fred Dilger and Appointment of New Executive Director

CARSON CITY, Nev. — The Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects today announced the retirement of Fred Dilger as Executive Director of the Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects and the appointment of Belinda Evenden as his successor.

Dilger has led the Agency for more than five years, providing steady, effective leadership in protecting Nevada's citizens, environment, and economy from the proposed Yucca Mountain high-level nuclear waste repository. Under his direction, the Agency has continued to advance Nevada's long-standing legal, technical, and policy opposition to the project.

"Fred Dilger has been an outstanding public servant whose dedication and expertise have strengthened Nevada's position against the Yucca Mountain project," said Commission Chairman Richard Bryan. "We thank him for his years of service and wish him well in retirement."

The Governor selected Evenden to serve as the new Executive Director upon recommendation from the Commission. Evenden brings extensive experience in state government, environmental policy, and nuclear waste issues. She has served as an Administrator for the Agency for eight years and shares Nevada's unwavering commitment to blocking the Yucca Mountain repository.

"Ms. Evenden's appointment ensures seamless continuity in Nevada's firm opposition to Yucca Mountain," Chairman Bryan said. "She understands the science, the law, and—most importantly—the strong, bipartisan consensus among Nevadans that this state will not become the nation's nuclear waste dump. Nevada's longstanding opposition to Yucca Mountain remains firm, and this leadership transition reinforces that commitment."

"I am honored to serve as Executive Director and to continue the vital work of protecting Nevada from the Yucca Mountain project," Evenden said. "Fred Dilger has left the Agency in excellent shape, and I look forward to building on his legacy while advancing the

Commission's mission to safeguard the health, safety, and economic well-being of all Nevadans."

The Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects, under the oversight of the Commission, advises the Governor and Legislature on all matters related to federal high-level nuclear waste disposal activities in the state. The Agency provides technical, legal and policy expertise to protect Nevada's interests and remains focused on preventing the development and opening of the Yucca Mountain repository.

About the Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects

Established in 1985, the Nevada Commission on Nuclear Projects advises the Governor and Legislature on nuclear waste issues and oversees the Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects. The Commission is chaired by former U.S. Senator and Nevada Governor Richard Bryan.

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