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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commissioners Conference Room One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland

Wednesday, October 9, 1996

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to

notice, at 11:30 a.m., Shirley A. Jackson, Chairman,

presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

SHIRLEY A. JACKSON, Chairman of the Commission

KENNETH C. ROGERS, Member of the Commission

GRETA J. DICUS, Member of the Commission

NILS J. DIAZ, Member of the Commission

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, Jr., Member of the Commission

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STAFF SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

JOHN C. HOYLE, Secretary

KAREN D. CYR, General Counsel

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4 P R O C E E D I N G S [11:30 a.m.]

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Good morning ladies and gentlemen. This is an Affirmation Session. We have two items to become before us this morning. Do my fellow Commissioners have any opening comments? If not, Mr. Hoyle, would you lead us through the items for affirmation?

SECRETARY HOYLE: Certainly. The first item is SECY-96-172. This paper contains a final rulemaking which revises Part 20 of the Commission's regulations to (1) provide assurance to EPA that future emissions from NRC licensees will not exceed dose levels that EPA has determined will provide an ample margin of safety, and (2) provide EPA a basis upon which to rescind its Clean Air Act regulations as defined in Part 61 of its rules for NRC licensed facilities other than power reactors and Agreement States licensees, thereby relieving these licensees from unnecessary dual regulation. All of you have approved publication and implementation of this rule. Can I have an affirmation?

[Chorus of ayes.]

SECRETARY HOYLE: The second item is SECY-96-214. In this paper, the Commission is being asked to act on an order concerning certain proposed minor decommissioning activities at Yankee Rowe. This action is necessitated by Yankee Atomic Electric Company's letter of September 30, 1996, listing minor decommissioning activities it intends to commence on October 15. All Commissioners have approved the order directing that Yankee not undertake the activities described in its September 30 letter pending further Order of the Commission. May I ask you to affirm your votes?

[Chorus of ayes.] SECRETARY HOYLE: Thank you. CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Is there anything else to come

before us?

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SECRETARY HOYLE: No, there isn't.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: If not, we stand adjourned. [Whereupon, at 11:35 a.m., the affirmation session

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was concluded.]

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