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NRC PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE ON PROPOSED
ENRICHMENT FACILITY SET FOR JANUARY 21

The presiding Atomic Safety and Licensing Board has scheduled a pre-hearing conference on January 21 in Bethesda, MD, in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission licensing proceeding involving an application by Louisiana Energy Services (LES) to build an uranium enrichment facility near Homer, LA.

The conference is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. in the NRC Hearing Room, Fifth Floor, 4350 East-West Highway.

The proposed LES facility would enrich natural uranium hexafluoride by the gas centrifuge process at the proposed facility in Caliborne Parish, about 50 miles northeast of Shreveport, LA.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss a schedule for the proceeding, including discovery, the narrowing of issues and taking appropriate measures for moving the proceeding forward.

Representatives of Citizens Against Nuclear Trash, an intervenor in the proceeding, LES and the NRC staff will participate in the conference.

Members of the Licensing Board are the following Administrative Judges from the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel: Morton B. Margulies, chairman; Richard F. Cole and Frederick J. Shon.

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