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Before Administrative Judges:

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In the Matter of

DUKE COGEMA STONE & WEBSTER

Savannah River Site Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility

Docket No. 70-3098-ML

ASLBP No. 01-790-01-ML

July 30, 2001

Affidavit of Betty Yuhas

Comes now Betty Yuhas who being duly sworn, deposes and states as follows:

1. I am signing this affidavit in support of Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League's (BREDL) Request For Hearing on the proposed Savannah River Site (SRS) Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (MFFF). I am presently a member of the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League. I hereby authorize BREDL to represent my interests in this proceeding.

2. I have an interest in the construction of the proposed Savannah River Site Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility (SRS-MFFF) for the following reasons:

a. I live within approximately 40 miles of the Catawba Nuclear Power Station and less than 10 miles of the McGuire Nuclear Power Station. Both nuclear power stations have two nuclear reactors, are operated by Duke Power Corporation, and are scheduled to begin using mixed oxide fuel (MOX) containing a mixture of uranium and plutonium fabricated at the SRS MFFF. Following irradiation of the fuel, it will remain in storage at the Duke reactors for an undetermined length of time. I understand that the proposed SRS MFFF is dependent upon Duke Energy Services and Duke Power Company meeting contractual obligations as defined in the contract between Duke Cogema Stone & Webster (DCS) and the United States Department of Energy. This contract requires DCS to provide the Catawba and McGuire nuclear power stations as MOX fuel irradiation facilities.

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b. I live less than 5 miles from the probable MOX fuel route where Interstate 77 intersects Highway 73, and I occasionally travel on routes likely to be used to transport MOX fuel assemblies which would contain approximately 110-150 pounds of plutonium en route to Duke nuclear power stations.

c. I am dependent upon the Charlotte/Mecklenburg metropolitan area for a variety of services such as Mecklenburg County government, medical facilities, shopping venues, and cultural activities.

d. As an American citizen and taxpayer I have civic and financial interests in sound federal government and reasonable expectations that the federal government will not fund dangerous and unnecessary facilities when better alternatives exist.

e. I have been an active participant in the democratic decision-making process; I am a registered voter.

f. As an American citizen, I have an interest in preventing the expansion of plutonium stockpiles to reduce the potential for proliferation of nuclear weapons.

g. I am an Electri-Cities customer and am dependent on Duke Power for electricity.

Betty Zuhra 7/30/01

signature

date

Jonya B. Bartlett July 30, 2001

notary

date