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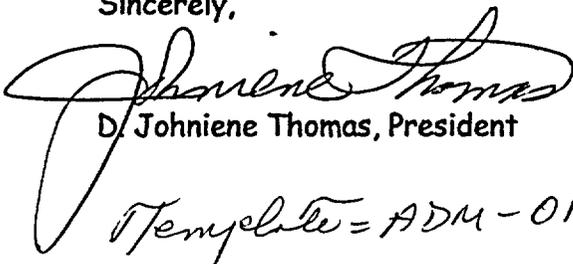
Dear Mr. Lesar:

It came to our attention that the NRC is, seemingly, about to not exercise its purpose to protect the public good from unnecessary hazards and to be in noncompliance with its basic concepts of fairness and rule making. It is our understanding that the Louisiana Energy Services has applied to NRC for a license to build and operate a new uranium "enrichment" plant in Hartsville, TN.

For such a crucial and critical encroachment to one's perceived environmental safety and peace of mind, local residents living within the prescribed perimeter of impact should be notified that the NRC is considering a decision that may affect their long-term well-being and welfare. To make such a decision in secret is unconsciousable and reeks of complicity and subterfuge.

It is our hope the sunshine concept will prevail and NRC will not abdicate its social and moral responsibility. It is our hope that the NRC will comply with the basic procedural requirements of the Federal Administrative Procedures Act and that the NRC will present a specific proposed action and a justification for that action.

Sincerely,

  
D. Johniene Thomas, President

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