

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland
Thursday, January 23, 2003

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 1:55 p.m.

Richard A. Meserve, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

RICHARD A. MESERVE, Chairman

NILS J. DIAZ, Member of the Commission

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

ANNETTE L. VIETTI-COOK, Secretary

KAREN D. CYR, Office of the General Counsel

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[1:55 p.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Good afternoon. Before we get started on the subject of today's hearing, I know we have another piece of business that we need to transact. It's an affirmation. Madam Secretary, proceed.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order related to the Licensing Board's referral of terrorism contentions in the matter of Pacific Gas & Electric's application to build a dry cask independent spent fuel storage installation. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which accepts the Board's referral and affirms its rejection of the terrorism contentions for different reasons than those the Board expressed. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Aye

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Aye

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Dicus had previously indicated she would approve this Order and had she been present she would have affirmed her prior vote. That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Thank you Madam Secretary.

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