

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland
Thursday, December 18, 2003

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 11:30 a.m.,
Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

NILS J. DIAZ, Chairman

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 of the Commission

KAREN D. CYR, Office of the General Counsel

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[11:30 a.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Madame Secretary I understand we have some items for affirmation. Do my fellow Commissioners have any comments.

VOICE: No.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Madam Secretary.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a final rule amending 10 CFR Part 50 to remove the requirement that non-electric utility power reactor licensees submit financial qualifications information in their license renewal applications, and to add a new requirement that electric utility licensees of nuclear power reactors who become non-electric utility entities without a license transfer must notify the NRC and submit information on their financial qualifications. The Commission has voted to approve the publication and implementation of this final rule subject to the changes noted in the attachment. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to a petition from the Connecticut Coalition Against Millstone for reconsideration of CLI-03-14 in which the Commission affirmed a Licensing Board decision that found the petitioner's sole contention inadmissible. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which denies the petition for reconsideration. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

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