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MEMORANDUM TO: G. Paul Bollwerk, III
Chief Administrative Judge
Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel

FROM: *A.L. Vietti-Cook*
Annette L. Vietti-Cook Secretary

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR HEARING ON THE
LICENSE APPLICATION OF LOUISIANA
ENERGY SERVICES, L.P.

Attached is a request for hearing and petition to intervene, dated March 23, 2004, and submitted by the New Mexico Environment Department. The petition was submitted in response to the issuance of CLI-04-03, dated January 30, 2004, and published in the Federal Register at 69 Fed. Reg. 5873 (February 6, 2004). The Nuclear Regulatory Commission in CLI-04-03 acknowledged receipt of an application by Louisiana Energy Services, L.P. (Docket Number 70-3103) "for a license to possess and use source, byproduct, and special nuclear material and to enrich natural uranium to a maximum of 5 percent U-235 by the gas centrifuge process." CLI-04-03 at 1, 69 Fed. Reg. 5873.

Considering that the petition does not raise issues of standing or environmental justice (see CLI-04-03, Sec. II.H. and III.A, 69 Fed. Reg. at 5875), the request for hearing and petition to intervene is being referred to you for appropriate action in accordance with 10 CFR §2.346.

Attachment: As stated

cc: Commission Legal Assistants
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