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ESTABLISHMENT OF ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the <u>Federal Register</u>, 37 Fed. Reg. 28,710 (1972), and the Commission's regulations, <u>see</u> 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.104, 2.300, 2.303, 2.309, 2.311, 2.318, and 2.321, notice is hereby given that an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board is being established to preside over the following proceeding:

LOUISIANA ENERGY SERVICES, L.P. (National Enrichment Facility)

The Licensing Board is being established pursuant to a January 30, 2004 notice of hearing (CLI-04-08, 59 NRC 10(2004); (69 Fed. Reg. 5873 (Feb. 6, 2004)). The hearing will consider (1) a December 15, 2003 license application submitted by Louisiana Energy Services, L.P., to possess and use source, byproduct, and special nuclear material and to enrich natural uranium to a maximum of five percent U-235 by the gas centrifuge process at a facility located in Eunice, New Mexico, and (2) intervention petitions contesting the application submitted by the New Mexico Environment Department and the Attorney General of New Mexico on March 23, 2004, and April 5, 2004, respectively.

The Board is comprised of the following administrative judges:

G. Paul Bollwerk, III, Chair Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dr. Paul B. Abramson Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dr. Charles N. Kelber Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with the administrative

judges in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 2.302.

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

Issued at Rockville, Maryland,

this 15th day of April 2004.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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(National Enrichment Facility)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing ESTABLISHMENT OF ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD have been served upon the following persons by electronic mail, followed by deposit of paper copies in the U.S. mail, first class, and NRC internal mail.

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Office of the Secretary of the Commission

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15th day of April 2004