

Chairman Nils Diaz
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Office of Public Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Chairman Diaz,

I send this letter to you today to show my support for the National Enrichment Facility (NEF) to build a new gas centrifuge uranium enrichment plant in Lea County, New Mexico.


This project will use the world's most advanced, energy-efficient uranium enrichment technology that has been in use for over 30 years and has proven to be both safe and environmentally sound.

Many positive benefits will result in building this facility:

- Economic growth
- New jobs
- Construction of new housing

The citizens of Lea County are proud that their county has been selected to be the home of this new facility and warmly welcome the National Enrichment facility to southeastern New Mexico.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeffery Starnes".

CC: Governor Bill Richardson
Secretary Ron Curry