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

Re: Letter of Support for National Enrichment Facility in Lea County, N.M.

Dear Chairman Diaz:

Please accept this letter as confirmation of full support for Louisiana Energy Services'(LES) National Enrichment Facility (NEF) in Eunice, New Mexico. Many of us from Andrews have studied this process and participated in the NRC forums in order to better educate ourselves with the scope of this project. Our conclusion was uniform with the Environmental Impact Statement conducted by your office – that the NEF will have small environment impact and significant economic impact.

In Andrews, Texas, we believe there exists a necessity for regional collaboration in order to meet the needs of activity underway on our Texas-New Mexico border. We anticipate regional partnerships to enable us to effectively address any concerns or considerations for these projects. This theme of alliances is exemplified in the development of our new Andrews Business and Technology Center. We have established administrative and curriculum programs in partnership with Odessa College, The University of Texas – Permian Basin, and most recently, College of The Southwest in Hobbs, NM. A recent grant through College of the Southwest will fund a state of the art Distance Learning Center and administrative costs as well for the Center. In part, this grant was approved because of the regional partnerships involved.

The NEF project solidifies the demand for firm regional efforts in an array of areas and ensures that our labors are justifiable. The Andrews Industrial Foundation, Inc. strongly supports Louisiana Energy Services'(LES) National Enrichment Facility (NEF) in Eunice, New Mexico.

Sincerely,

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