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Date:	Thu, Jan 6, 2005  7:07 PM
Subject:	Fw: Question for LES hearings about LES clean up costs

> Dear Mr. Johnson;

> Thank you for your reply below to my original question. I would also like to

> have the LES DEIS explain in detail by whom, and how the LES cleanup costs > would be paid if the insurance company (or companies) that are providing the

> LES cleanup bonds go bankrupt (as many insurance companies have and continue

> to do) or for any other reason are unable to pay for the LES cleanup costs.

> Lee Chenev

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Timothy Johnson" <TCJ@nrc.gov>

- > To: <lee\_cheney@leaco.net>
- > Sent: Thursday, January 06, 2005 12:24 PM
- > Subject: Re: Question for LES hearings about LES clean up costs
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> As is stated in 10 CFR 40.36(d) and 70.25(e), decommissioning cost estimates

> must be adjusted at intervals not to exceed 3 years. The periodic

> adjustments would account for inflation, changes in the costs of goods and

> services (e.g., waste disposal), changes in facility conditions or

> operations, and changes in expected decommissioning procedures.

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> The following is a link to the guidance document we use in reviewing

- > decommissioning funding plans:
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http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1757/v3/sr1757v3.pdf

> The periodic updates to the decommissioning funding plan will ensure that

> there is sufficient funds to decommission the facility throughout its

> lifetime.

>>>> "Lee Cheney" <lee\_cheney@leaco.net> 01/05/05 05:57PM >>>

> Please give the guestions below full evaluation and analysis at the LES

> hearings:

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> Evidently, according the reply below that the NRC sent to Phillip, there is

> no risk to the taxpayers for LES cleanup. The only problem is, as I > understand it, the LES cleanup bonds are only about 1/10th (and if inflation

> keeps going maybe only 1/100th) of what the cost will be if the cost of

> other taxpayer funded clean up costs are used as a guide. Who is going to

> GUARANTEE that the LES bonds will be SUFFICIENT to cover the cleanup costs > 30 years from now and that there will be zero cost to the taxpayers 30

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> from now????

> Lee

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: PHILLIP BARR

> To:

> Sent: Wednesday, January 05, 2005 1:33 PM

> Subject: Re: Question for Timothy Johnson of the NRC about the Louisiana

> Energy services plant in lea county

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> This is the answer I received from the NRC. If all this government

> involvement has allowed 77,000 toxic sites in this country, and more added

> to the list each year, whats to keep LES from becoming another site that

> has to be cleaned up at government expense?

> Notice no answer from Mr. Johnson on the projected number of toxic cleanup

> sites that might be on a list about the time that LES goes off line.

> If this LES plant was such a good deal, why was it run out of two > states?

> Government was involved in an uranium enrichment plant in Paducah

- > kentucky, and our own Governor Richardson apologized to the workers there > for what that plant did to them.
- > Try to get anyone with the Nrc to guarantee this industry wont make

> people sick.

> Are you listening Governor? Ron Curry?

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- > Phillip Barr
- > Lea County

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: Timothy Johnson

> To: pharb2@msn.com

> Sent: Wednesday, January 05, 2005 11:19 AM

> Subject: Re: Question for Timothy Johnson of the NRC about the Louisiana

> Energy services plant

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> > I assume the list of sites requiring cleanup you mention is the list the

> U.S. Environmental Protection Agency keeps of potential Superfund sites.

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> is our objective to ensure that NRC's sites never get on the Superfund list

> and require taxpayers to fund the decommissioning of licensed sites. We do

> this through our decommissioning financial assurance requirements (see 10
> CFR 40.36 and 70.25). In the event that the licensee is unable to carry

out

> decommissioning through bankruptcy or other reason, the financial assurance

> provisions provide the funding for decommissioning and NRC would ensure that

> the proper site remediation takes place. For uranium enrichment facilities,

 > applicants must provide a decommissioning funding plan consisting of a
> site-specific cost estimate for decommissioning and a financial instrument,

> such as a surety bond, letter of credit, etc. The regulations provide

> additional information on the types of instruments that may be used and

the

> requirements for these instruments. LES has chosen to use a surety bond for

> its financial mechanism.

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>>>> "PHILLIP BARR" <pharb2@msn.com> 01/04/05 09:39AM >>>

> I understand there are 77,000 toxic waste sites in this country that need

> to be cleaned up with more added to the list each year.

> Mr. Johnson, what is the estimated number of cleanup sites that would be on

> a cleanup list and ahead of LES at the end of the thirty year lifespan of > the LES plant?

> I request the nrc find this data and submit it to the state congress.

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> Phillip Barr

> lea county.

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