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Telephone Conference Call Summary Request for Additional Information

Date and Time: 2:30 PM, January 18, 2005

Call Participants:	A. Bradford, NRC	M. Gorden, ATL
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During the conference call, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff summarized for Louisiana Energy Services (LES) personnel a forthcoming request for additional information (RAI) generated as a result of public comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed National Enrichment Facility in Lea County, New Mexico.

Following is a list of the RAI issues that were summarized in the call:

- Applicable regulatory requirements: NRC staff need an update on permits required, permit compliance status, and the status of compliance with other regulatory requirements.
- Land use: Staff need figures depicting the routing of new natural gas lines.
- Water resources: Staff need additional information on water usage, stormwater controls, and aspects of groundwater.
- Socioeconomics: Staff need information on coordination with local communities for training and education.
- On-site storage: Staff need to know the status of negotiations with the State of New Mexico on the storage of depleted uranium canisters.
- Waste management: Staff need an update on a strategy for managing depleted uranium.
- Decommissioning: Staff need information on ownership and the disposition of structures remaining at the site after decommissioning.
- Ecology and mitigation measures: Staff cited DEIS comment letters from the US Department of the Interior and the State of New Mexico, and requested notification of any new proposed mitigation measures. Staff also requested that LES provide updates to mitigation measures that have been proposed already.

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