

July 20, 2005

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

BEFORE THE COMMISSION

In the Matter of)	
)	Docket No. 40-8838-MLA-2
U.S. ARMY)	
)	ASLBP No. 04-819-04-MLA
(Jefferson Proving Ground Site))	
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AFFIDAVIT OF THOMAS G. MCLAUGHLIN

1. I am the project manager for the Jefferson Proving Ground site. I have been the project manager for the site since September 18, 2000.

2. I have reviewed the information provided by the Army in its May 25, 2005 submittal. The Staff has scheduled a meeting with the Army for September 8, 2005 to discuss the May 25, 2005 license amendment request. The Staff anticipates that a common understanding of the issues will be achieved at this meeting. Depending on the quality and completeness of the Army's response to NRC's comments, there may not be a need to seek additional information from the licensee. The staff does anticipate annual or more frequent meetings with the Army to review the proposed addendums to the Field Sampling Plan and to discuss the progress towards filling in the identified data gaps in the site characterization leading to the submittal of a revised decommissioning plan.

3. After the September 8, 2005 meeting the Staff will prepare a safety evaluation report and an environmental assessment for the license amendment. The Staff anticipates issuing these documents in November, 2005.

4. In the event the Staff approves the license amendment request for an alternate schedule for decommissioning, the Staff will review the decommissioning plan submitted by the

Army in accordance with the alternate schedule.

5. In the event the Staff disapproves the license amendment request for an alternate schedule, the Army will be required to decommission in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 40.42.

Thomas G. McLaughlin
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 20 day of July, 2005

Circe E. Martin
Notary Public



My commission expires: March 1, 2007

CIRCE E. MARTIN
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
My Commission Expires March 1, 2007