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In the matter of the application of System Energy Resources, Inc. (SERI) for an Early Site Permit for a second reactor at Grand Gulf, Claiborne County, Mississippi.

This is the supplemental statement of Jan Hillegas to my oral testimony given to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board on August 28, 2006, at Port Gibson, Mississippi.

One sentence of my testimony on August 28, 2006 was to the effect that there is only one fire station in Claiborne County – a fact told to me by a Claiborne County resident.

Later that evening, another resident of Claiborne County told the ASLB that what I said was wrong and that there are in fact 7 fire stations in Claiborne County.

On September 14 and 15, 2006, I had telephone conversations with Chief Kelvin Shaifer of the Claiborne County Fire Department (telephone 601-437-8263) and Assistant Chief George Hudson, Jr. of the Port Gibson Fire Department (601-437-4205).

Chief Shaifer clearly stated to me twice that the county's fire station on Main Street in Port Gibson is the only operating fire station at this time. Five other stations are in the process of being opened over the next few months. The Main Street station is staffed and open 24 hours a day and has 2 trucks with water.

Assistant Chief Hudson told me that the City of Port Gibson has one fire station with one pumper truck. Volunteers are on-call and available through pagers and the 911 system. The City's firefighters work inside the city limits and up to about 2 miles outside the city in residential subdivisions.

The telephone number above for Hudson is for the Piggly Wiggly grocery store where he works; a phone number at a bake shop was given to me by a county employee for City Fire Chief Ed Bryant, who was out sick.

I pursued this information in order to be sure that I had given correct information to the ASLB about the lack of emergency preparedness in Claiborne County – a deficiency of long standing over much or all of the lifetime of the existing Grand Gulf plant.

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