

My name is Lee Cheney. I am here representing the Hobbs based Citizens Nuclear Information Center whose web site is www.CNIC.ws.

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Turning LES DUF6 waste over to the DOE is not a plausible solution because it will be 60 years to clean up Paducca and the other uranium waste sites east of the Mississippi river before DOE will be able to even begin cleaning up the LES DUF6 waste mess. If LES is allowed to turn its DUF6 waste over to the DOE the LES DUF6 waste will pile up at Eunice for decades to come. Therefore turning the LES DUF6 waste over to the DOE is not a plausible solution and the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board must remove the DOE option for the LES license application.

In spite of the political and propaganda gains LES has recently made with its announcement that they have signed a memorandum of understanding with Areva the truth is that a memorandum of understanding is not a plausible solution to the LES DUF6 waste problem. The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board must refuse to grant LES an operating license unless LES amends its NRC license application to include a legally binding agreement that a deconversion plant will be built and will take LES DUF6 waste before LES produces any DUF6 waste and that LES will not store any DUF6 waste at Eunice or 100 yards across the Texas-New Mexico State Line at Waste Control Specialists (which is known as WCS).

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Thank you for allowing me to speak to the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. DOCKETED
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