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October 5, 2006

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THRU: Peter Habighorst, Section Chief /RA/  
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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR FUEL SERVICES, INC. - CLOSED MEETING SUMMARY,  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2006, RE: RESTART OF OPERATIONS IN THE  
BLENDED LOW-ENRICHED URANIUM PREPARATION FACILITY

On September 18, 2006, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff met with Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) staff at NRC Headquarters in Rockville, Maryland. A list of attendees is provided in Enclosure 1 and the meeting agenda is provided in Enclosure 2. The purpose of the closed meeting was to obtain an understanding of: (1) the results of NFS' corrective actions since the [REDACTED] event of March 6, 2006, and (2) NFS' information and actions that justify approving the introduction of new material into processes shut down after the event.

After introductory remarks by NRC senior management, NFS made the following presentations concerning its corrective actions and its readiness to restart operations in the Blended Low-Enriched Uranium Preparation Facility (BPF):

1. Safety Culture at NFS.
  2. Corrective Actions Program.
  3. Configuration Management.
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4. Third Party Review.
5. NFS Response to Third Party Review.
6. Safe Restart and Operation of BPF.

Copies of the presentations are provided in Enclosures 3, 4, and 5. There was extensive discussion during the presentations. After the presentations were complete, the NRC staff left the room and discussed the information and any questions not already addressed. When the meeting resumed, the NRC thanked NFS for its presentations and stated that a letter documenting no objection to restarting BPF operations will depend on the results of an operational readiness review (ORR) inspection. The NRC believed the week of October 2 was the earliest an ORR inspection could be conducted. The NRC requested a letter from NFS when changes to BPF operations are complete and ready for inspection.

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Attendees

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**UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
HEADQUARTERS**

**MEETING ATTENDANCE FORM**

Subject: Meeting with Nuclear Fuel Services re: Restart of BLEU Preparation Facility

Date: 9/18/06 Location: NRC Headquarters, Room T-7A1

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**AGENDA**

**NUCLEAR FUEL SERVICES, INC.**

**September 18, 2006  
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Obtain an understanding of: (1) the results of Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. (NFS) corrective actions since the [REDACTED] event of March 6, 2006, and (2) NFS' information and actions to justify approval to introduce new material into processes shut down after the event.

- 1:00 pm Sign-in and Introduction
- 1:10 pm Opening Remarks
- 1:20 pm NFS Presentation
- 3:10 pm NRC Caucus
- 3:30 pm Additional Discussion
- 3:50 pm Closing Remarks

