

February 15, 2013

Mr. Timothy Knowles  
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SUBJECT: LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST TO CHANGE LICENSE CONDITIONS 10.H  
AND 10.I OF MATERIALS LICENSE SNM-2010 (LAR 12-16)

Dear Mr. Knowles:

On November 9, 2012, Louisiana Energy Services (LES) transmitted the subject amendment request (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS]) Accession number ML12319A081). LES is requesting an amendment to Materials License SNM-2010 to change License Conditions (LC) 10.h and 10.i. The requested LC changes reflect LES proposed changes to the Standard Practice Procedures Plan (SPPP) addenda to address the continuing participation of European specialists during the commissioning and operations of all cascades in Separations Building Modules (SBM) 1003 and SBM 1005.

The proposed revision has been reviewed by staff, and we find that the requested changes are in line with those proposed and approved in License Amendment Request (LAR) 11-12, and individually or cumulatively poses no increased risk to security. A review of the changes shows that you continue to adequately identify areas where European specialists could be exposed to new Restricted Data (RD), and the current documentation, as updated by this request, provides acceptable mitigation measures to minimize the exposure to new RD. The amendment to your license for this action has been approved and LC 10.h and 10.i will be modified to reflect this approval with the next major amendment.

With this approval, LES may allow the participation of European specialists in the commissioning of all cascades in SBM 1003 and SBM 1005. The LES SPPP for the Protection of Classified Matter and Enrichment Technology US SPPP for the Protection of Classified Matter should be updated as described in the November 9, 2012, submittal and that version submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Docket.

Since these activities involve administrative actions, the NRC's staff has determined that the proposed activities do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, in accordance with Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 51.22(c)(11), neither an Environmental Assessment nor an Environmental Impact Statement is warranted for this action.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the license will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael Raddatz at 301-492-3108, or via e-mail to [Michael.Raddatz@nrc.gov](mailto:Michael.Raddatz@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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