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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Louisiana Energy Services, LLC
NRC Docket Number: 70-3103

Subject: 10 CFR 40.36(d) Exemption Request Allowing for Phased
Decommissioning Funding for Capacity Expansion of UUSA Facility
License Amendment Request 12-10 (TAC L34193)

Reference: 1. NRC Correspondence, IN-13-00014-NRC, Request for Additional
Information on License Amendment Request (LAR) 12-10 Capacity
Expansion of UUSA Facility, dated January 25, 2013
2. LES-12-00176-NRC, Redacted Safety Analysis Report Mark-ups in
LAR-12-10
3. LES-12-00162-NRC, License Amendment Request for Capacity
Expansion of URENCO USA Facility (LAR-12-10), dated November 9,
2012

The NRC acknowledges in Reference 1 that the 10 CFR 40.36(d) exemption, allowing for phased decommissioning financial assurance, was granted to Louisiana Energy Services, LLC (LES), in the initial issuance of Materials License SNM-2010. Reference 1 further concludes that the 10 CFR 40.36(d) exemption request must be resubmitted to address the new areas of the plant and should include a revised decommissioning cost estimate that accounts for all the proposed new construction.

The initial exemption request approved by the NRC in NUREG-1827, was described and requested in Section 1.2.5, Special Exemptions or Special Authorizations, of the Safety Analysis Report (SAR) dated June 2005, (i.e., the initial license application), and is being resubmitted herewith as Enclosure 1, "Markup of SAR Section 1.2.5 Special Exemptions or Special Authorizations." The only changes made to the document were to change the site name from National Enrichment Facility (NEF) to URENCO USA (UUSA) facility and to include a comment regarding the Plant Capacity Expansion LAR 12-10. The "Final SAR Section 1.2.5 Special Exemptions or Special Authorizations" is included as Enclosure 2.

The revised decommissioning cost estimate for all the new construction is included as Enclosure 3, i.e., the "Markup of UUSA SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning, supporting Plant Capacity Expansion LAR 12-10" with the "Final SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning, supporting Plant Capacity Expansion LAR 12-10" as Enclosure 4. Enclosure 5 provides the redacted version of the SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning

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markups for public disclosure as submitted initially as Reference #2. LES submits as Enclosure 6 the Affidavit requesting that the company proprietary information contained in Enclosures 3 and 4 be withheld from public disclosure.

As stated in Enclosure 1, LES (dba URENCO USA (UUSA)) requests that exemptions from the provisions of 10 CFR 40.36(d) and 10 CFR 70.25(e) be granted.

UUSA appreciates the efforts of the NRC staff in supporting the review and approval of this Exemption Request in a timely manner. Should there be any questions, please contact Timothy Knowles, UUSA Licensing and Performance Assessment Manager, at 575.394.6212.

Respectfully,



Stephen R. Cowne for
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Chief Nuclear Officer and Head of Operations

- Enclosures:
1. Markup of SAR Section 1.2.5 Special Exemptions or Special Authorizations
 2. Final SAR Section 1.2.5 Special Exemptions or Special Authorizations
 3. Markup of UUSA SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning, supporting Plant Capacity Expansion LAR 12-10
 4. Final SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning, supporting Plant Capacity Expansion LAR 12-10
 5. Redacted version of the SAR Chapter 10 Decommissioning
 6. Affidavit

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