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ATTN: Document Control Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards U.S Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

> Louisiana Energy Services, LLC NRC Docket Number: 70-3103

Subject: Request for Authorization to Initiate Feed Inlet and Commence Operation of Assay 4 Cascade 4.2

To Whom It May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to request authorization to initiate feed inlet and commence operation of Assay 4 Cascade 4.2. Successful performance of URENCO USA (UUSA) Procedure OP-3-0450-03, "IROFSC23 Surveillance Procedure," Revision 7 has demonstrated that Cascade 4.2 meets the requirements of IROFSC23. The data was reviewed, and all acceptance criteria were met with no issues identified. The results of this surveillance have been documented in accordance with UUSA Procedure EG-3-2100-05, "Commercial Grade Dedication Process." The completed Commercial Grade Dedication (CGD) Form 3 documentation for the subject cascade is enclosed for NRC Staff review.

It is requested that information contained in Enclosure 1 of this letter be withheld from public disclosure pursuant to 10 CFR 2.390(a)(4) in that it contains proprietary information. Accordingly, and responsive to the requirements of 10 CFR 2.390(b)(1), an affidavit requesting withholding of this information is provided in Enclosure 2.

Should there be any questions concerning this submittal, please contact Timothy Knowles, UUSA Licensing and Performance Assessment Manager, at 575.394.6212.

Respectfully.

Jay Laughlin Chief Nuclear Officer and Head of Operations

Enclosures: 1. Completed Commercial Grade Dedication Form 3 for Cascade 4.2 2. Affidavit

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## **ENCLOSURE 1**

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Completed Commercial Grade Dedication Form 3 for Cascade 4.2

## ENCLOSURE 2

I, Allen Sorrell, Acting Chief Nuclear Officer at the URENCO USA Facility, make the following representations that to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- 1. LES wishes to have withheld from public disclosure the following documents:
  - Enclosure 1 Completed Commercial Grade Dedication Form 3 for Cascade 4.2
- 2. The information contained in the document cited in 1 above for which exemption from public disclosure is requested is proprietary information related to commercial aspects of the URENCO USA Facility. LES requests that this information be exempt from disclosure pursuant to the provisions in 10 CFR Part 2.390(a)(4).
- 3. Public disclosure of the information in the above enclosure to this submittal has the potential to result in substantial harm to the competitive position of LES, provide valuable business information to competitors of LES which they could duplicate without having to expend their own resources to develop, and reduce or foreclose the availability of profit opportunities.
- 4. The information stated in this affidavit has been submitted in accordance with the applicable parts of 10 CFR 2.390 and the guidance contained in NUREG-1556, Vol. 20, Appendix C.4.
- 5. The information sought to be withheld is not available in public sources, to the best of LES' knowledge and belief.

7-15-13 Laughlin Date Jav Chief Nuclear Officer Louisiana Energy Services, LLC URENCOUSA catify the above named person appeared before me and executed this document on this 2013: M day of Notary Public My commission expires: OFFICIAL SEAL MELVA G. RAMOS NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF N ion Expire Av Commis