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Division of Nuclear Security
Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Louisiana Energy Services, LLC NRC Docket No. 70-3103

Subject:

UUSA's Response to US NRC Inspection Report 70-3103/2015-404,

Synopsis dated April 14, 2016,

Reference:

1) US NRC Inspection Report 70-3103/2015-404 Synopsis

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In Reference 1, the NRC addressed the preliminary closure to inspection 70-3103/2015-404 and concluded that the preliminary results of the NRC inspection 70-3103/2015-404 are being considered for escalated enforcement action in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy. Pursuant to Reference 1, Louisiana Energy Services, LLC dba URENCO USA (UUSA), agrees to a Pre-decisional Enforcement Conference (PEC) on June 2, 2016.

The PEC will give UUSA the opportunity to further explain the corrective actions taken and permanent changes made. UUSA has addressed all of the apparent violations, delineated in the inspection report, through a detailed root cause evaluation performed in early 2015. These apparent violations primarily occurred in 2014 and earlier.

UUSA has requested of the Region II staff more information on the final apparent violation in the report. This information requested is necessary to fully discuss the issue during the PEC. Without the requested information, UUSA does not have the details nor the objective evidence to understand the decision made by the NRC regarding the final apparent violation. UUSA has offered to discuss this violation via the Alternative Dispute Resolution process, which may provide a better opportunity to share information. UUSA is willing to address the other apparent violations in a PEC, but requests a different forum for the last issue if the information requested cannot be shared.

Should there be any questions, please contact Salem Thyne, UUSA Licensing and Performance Assessment Manager, at 575-394-5252.

Respectfully,

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