

September 11, 2018

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

In the Matter of)
) Docket No. 72-1051
Holtec International)
)
HI-STORE Consolidated Interim)
Storage Facility)
)

**PETITION BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR LEA COUNTY, NEW
MEXICO TO PARTICIPATE AS AN
INTERESTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL BODY**

On March 30, 2017, Holtec International filed its application for a license to construct and operate the HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage Facility in Lea County, New Mexico. On July 16, 2018, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission published a notice of opportunity to request a hearing and petition for leave to intervene. 83 Fed .Reg. 32919. The notice invited any State, local governmental body, Federally-recognized Indian Tribe, or agency thereof to participate as a non-party in the proceeding on the HI-STORE application, if one is initiated.

Section 2.315(c) of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission’s Rules of Practice, 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), calls for the presiding officer in an adjudicatory proceeding to “afford an interested State, local governmental body (county, municipality, or other subdivision), and Federally-recognized Indian Tribe that has not been admitted as a party under § 2.309, a reasonable opportunity to participate in a hearing.” Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), the Eddy-Lea Energy Alliance hereby requests permission to participate in these proceedings as an interested local governmental body.

The Board of County Commissioners for Lea County, New Mexico is a public body created by statute as the body politic for the county in which Holtec proposes to build its site. As indicated in the attached Resolution, the Board of Commissioners for Lea County, New Mexico would like to participate in the proceeding and is authorized to participate in the HI-STORE proceeding under 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c).

As required by 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), the Board of County Commissioners for Lea County, New Mexico designates Jonathan Sena as its single representative for the hearing.

Jonathan Sena's contact information is as follows.

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Respectfully submitted,



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