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WASHINGTON, DC 20555

SUBJECT: CLAIBORNE ENRICHMENT CENTER

DEAR MR. HICKEY,

I HAVE READ SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED CLAIBORNE ENRICHMENT CENTER, OR 'CEC', WHICH HAS BEEN PROPOSED FOR CLAIBORNE PARISH, LA.

THE US NUCLEAR FUEL ENRICHMENT CAPABILITY IS CURRENTLY LACKING IN CAPACITY. THIS PROPOSED FACILITY WILL PROVIDE THE CAPABILITY TO ENRICH NUCLEAR FUEL HERE IN THE US, AND REDUCE OUR DEPENDANCE ON FOREIGN SOURCES. FURTHER, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE TECHNOLOGY PROPOSED, THAT BEING CENTER FOR THE MOST UP-TO-DATE, AND ENERGY EFFICIENT WHEN COMPARED WITH ALTERNATE TECHNOLOGY.

ENVIRONMENTALLY. THE FACILITY CAN BE MADE TO OPERATE IN A SAFE, CLEAN AND EFFICIENT MANNER. THE LOCATION PROPOSED FOR THE CEC IS ONE WHICH CAN

ONLY GAIN FROM THE FACILITY, BOTH ECONOMICALLY AND TECHNOLOGICALLY.

I ASK THAT THE NRC SUPPORT THE FINDINGS OF THE 'DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT', AND THAT THE LICENSING OF THE FACILITY BE EXPEDITED AS PROPOSED.

THANK YOU.

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