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> RE: Docket No. 70-3070 Louisiana Energy Services, L.P.

In reference to the NRC's Draft Environmental Impact Statement for construction and operation of the Claiborne Enrichment Center, Homer, LA.

it is without question that the United States must become less dependent on energy sources from other countries, and that we must do so in the most efficient and economical commercial means.

Being personally experienced with the regulations and monitoring provided the US public by the Federal Railroad Administration, I am confident that the NRC will fulfil its obligation to require and closely monitor the necessary safe guards for LES to operate a plant that will not cause harm to the population or environment of Claiborne Parish. In fact, inside the confines of LES may very well be the safest and most pollution free location in the parish.

The tax revenues and payroll to be derived from LES will provide a much needed economic stimulus to our schools, retailers and parish operations.

My grand parents came to Claiborne Parish shortly after the Civil War. I was born here over fifty years ago and consider myself fortunate to have spent my entire life in an area that I have such deep roots in.

Therefore, it is with more than average knowledge of public protection provided by governmental agencies, a very real need for the economic benefits, and a deep rooted love for the hills of Claiborne Parish that I urge the NRC to approve the license request for construction and operation of LES near Homer, LA.

Respectfully submitted,

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