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Dear Mr. Hickey:


This letter is in response to the Commission's solicitation of public comment on the *DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT's* affirmative position relative to construction, licensing and operation of the Claiborne Enrichment Center in north Louisiana. I endorse and support the conclusions of this *DRAFT* and urge the Commission to issue a final statement and a Safety Evaluation Report reaching the same positive and beneficial conclusions it has placed before us today.

This industry proposed for Claiborne Parish (Louisiana) will have a very positive economic effect on the northwest Louisiana in particular and the adjacent regions as well. The socioeconomic well-being of the area will be enhanced for at least the 40-year period envisioned for the plant's construction, operation, and decommissioning. This means lifetime career opportunities become available for a large number of people working at all levels of the plant's activities. It also helps insure a vital supply of nuclear fuels for the nuclear electric stations of the U.S.

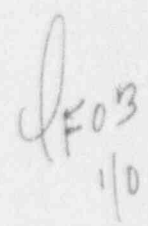
It is my professional opinion that all aspects of safety, environmental protection, and social economic status have been thoroughly addressed in the *DRAFT STATEMENT*, and the conclusions are fully supported by the evidence presented.

I respectfully urge the Commission, through your office, to support the findings and to expedite the licensing process for this vitally-needed project.

Sincerely,

  
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