

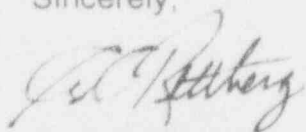
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Dear Mr. Hickey,

It seems to me that a time has come in the United States that decisions by our Government and its Agencies should be made on facts rather than political expediency. Such is the case with the construction and operation of the Claiborne Enrichment Center to be located within the Claiborne Parish in Northern Louisiana.

It is obvious from the favorable comments published in the DEIS that this project has been investigated in depth and I urge the NRC to support the findings and to expedite the licensing process for the Louisiana facility.

Sincerely,



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