January 19, 1994

Chief, Enrichment Branch
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Sir,

I have lived all my life in Homer, Louisiana. I am a business owner and land owner in the area. I want to express my strong support for the prompt issuance of a license for the proposed Claiborne Enrichment Center.

This is certainly a great step forward for the economic progress of our community. I have been actively involved in the efforts at industrial development and believe this to be one of the best opportunities in our experience.

I do trust the ability and willingness of your office to regulate this plant for a safe environment and do not want you to do anything to slight that responsibility.

There seems to be a small group of people who oppose all types of construction in the nuclear field. I sure hope you do not allow their emotional opposition to effect your decision. Some of those in the local area that oppose this plant, have opposed every project that has been proposed in my experience; even civic projects that have been important to our well-being as a community.

I have read your draft report. I own over a thousand acres of land in the close proximity to this plant. In fact I own the "Emerson site" that was considered but not chosen for the plant location. I do not believe this plant will have any negative impact on the value of my land, nor on the livability of the neighborhood. Just the contrary, I consider it more likely that my land values will increase; and I believe this will improve the quality of life by offering job opportunities better than we have known.

I have examined much of the information that has been made available over the past several years regarding this plant. I believe that it represents a worthy project for our local community. From the information I have read I believe it will be positive and good for our state and nation as well.

I think you should approve this license request without unneeded delay.

Singerely,

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