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Chief, Enrichment Branch
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
Mail Stop 4-E-4
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

RE: Claiborne Enrichment Center

Dear Sir:

Please allow me this opportunity to express to you on behalf of the membership of the Haynesville Chamber of Commerce our support of the Claiborne Enrichment Center and I urge the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to complete its review of the Louisiana Energy Services license application for the Claiborne Enrichment Center in order to begin construction and operation of the facility as soon as possible.

Since the initial application was submitted by LES three years ago, they have made every effort to education the public with information concerning the enrichment process and what we might expect the operation of their facility at the Claiborne Enrichment Center to entail. At their expense, they have taken several groups of citizens from every aspect of life from within the parish to view plants in operation in South Carolina and Europe. Several board members from the Chamber of Commerce, including myself, were fortunate to have been invited.

We feel very comfortable in our endorsement of the Claiborne Enrichment Center--not only from an economic development standpoint, but also from an environmental standpoint. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement that was completed in November 1993 state the impacts to be small and primarily confined to the site boundaries. We therefore respectfully urge you to proceed as rapidly as possible your review of the LES application.

Sincerely,

Don Terry

Executive Director

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