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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD APPEAL PANEL

In the Matter of

KERR-MCGEE CHEMICAL

CORPORATION,

(West Chicago Rare Earths
Facility)

Docket No. 40-2061-ML

ASLB No. 83-495-01-ML

WEST CHICAGO'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO NRC STAFF MOTION FOR CERTIFICATION

West Chicago moves this Panel to grant it, and the other parties to this proceeding, an extension of time until January 10, 1991, to respond to NRC Staff Motion for Certification to the Commission of the Question of Jurisdiction ("Motion for Certification"). In support thereof, West Chicago states as follows:

- 1. On December 24, 1990 the NRC Staff filed its Motion for Certification. For reasons unknown, counsel for West Chicago aid not receive a copy of the motion until the afternoon of January 2, 1991. Additionally, as of January 3, 1991, counsel for the State of Illinois had not received a copy of the motion. That afternoon, counsel for West Chicago faxed a copy of the motion to the State of Illinois.
- In order to fairly respond to the Motion for Certification, West Chicago (and the other parties to this proceeding) require an additional six days from today to prepare.

 Counsel for Kerr-McGee, the State of Illinois and the NRC Staff have no objection to this motion. Kerr-McGee and the State of Illinois would also like until January 10, 1991 to respond to the motion.

WHEREFORE, West Chicago moves this Panel to grant an extension of time until January 10, 1991, for it, and the other parties to this proceeding, to respond to the Motion for Certification.

Respectfully submitted,
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