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(formerly Project No. M-45)

MEMORANDUM FOR: Anthony T. Gody, Chief  
Policy Development &  
Technical Support Branch  
Program Management, Policy  
Development, & Analysis Staff, NRR

FROM: Charles J. Haughney, Chief  
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Division of Industrial and  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Louisiana Energy Services (LES) submitted, on January 31, 1991, its application for a license for a gas centrifuge uranium enrichment plant. The application will be considered pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR Parts 40 and 70, as well as special standards and instructions that will be provided in a Commission Notice and Order currently in preparation. The special standards and instructions are primarily to implement, prior to making conforming rule changes, amendments to the Atomic Energy Act contained in the recently enacted Solar, Wind, Waste, and Geothermal Power Production Incentives Act of 1990 (P.L. 101-575).

By this memorandum, I request the assistance of your staff in reviewing LES' provisions for liability insurance and LES's financial qualifications for constructing and operating the plant. In addition to performing the reviews, written discussions of the reviews and their consequent conclusions are needed for inclusion in the staff's Safety Evaluation Report. A schedule related to these reviews is enclosed. P.L. 101-575; applicable sections of LES' application, when docketed; and the Commission Notice and Order, when published in the Federal Register, will be provided to your staff.

NMSS' PPSAS/RITS code for the review of the LES application is 3111K1, and the Casework No. is 07003070011S. Please establish and use a compatible code so that the fee-chargeable staff-hours may be readily captured and reported to the License Fee & Debt Collection Branch.

Any questions regarding the reviews should be directed to the licensing project manager, Peter Loysen. He may be reached on extension 20685.

**Original Signed By**

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Enclosure:  
Schedule

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LES SER SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MILESTONE</u>
5/15/91	Complete Detailed Review and Request for Information
7/15/91	Applicant Response
9/15/91	Complete Draft SER
10/15/91	NRC Comments
12/15/91	Complete Final SER
02/01/92	Publish SER (NUREG)