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Subject: Comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed International Fluorine Products Facility in Lea County, New Mexico (NRC Docket ID# NRC-40-9086)

Dear Ms. Bladey,

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with my comments on the proposed International Isotopes Fluorine Products Facility in Lea County, New Mexico. I serve Senate District 41, Lea and Eddy Counties, New Mexico. There is strong support for the project throughout Senate District 41. The impact of this project will be very positive as it concerns employment and good paying jobs.

Mr. Steve Laflin, President & CEO, and his management team have done a great job of educating Southeast New Mexico of all aspects of the project. I have received no negative input from the constituents in Senate District 41. This project has my strong support.

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I believe the draft Environmental Impact Statement thoroughly reviews all the potential environmental impacts for the proposed facility and I agree with the conclusions reached by NRC staff that those impacts would be small.

Very respectfully yours,

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Carroll H. Leavell

cc: Lisa Hardison, President & CEO Economic Development Corporation of Lea County