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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

> *** AFFIRMATION SESSION

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PUBLIC MEETING

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland

Wednesday, September 3, 1997

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 10:30 a.m., Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

SHIRLEY ANN JACKSON, Chairman of the Commission GRETA J. DICUS, Member of the Commission EDWARD McGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

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STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE: JOHN C. HOYLE, Secretary STEPHEN G. BURNS, Acting General Counsel

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[10:30 a.m.]

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CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Good morning ladies and gentlemen. This is an affirmation session. We have one item to come before us this morning. Mr. Secretary, I understand that we have Commissioner Dicus with us by telephone.

 $$\rm MR.\ HOYLE:\ I$ understand the same. Commissioner Dicus, can you confirm that you're on the phone?

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Yes, I'm on the phone.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: So Mr. Secretary, before I ask you to lead us through the item for affirmation, do either of the Commissioners have any opening comments they would like to make? Commissioner Dicus?

COMMISSIONER DICUS: No.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Mr. Secretary, please proceed.

MR. HOYLE: Thank you, Chairman Jackson. The item for affirmation is SECY-97-179 concerning Louisiana Energy Services. In this proceeding, there are three petitions for review and the Commission is considering an order at this time remanding one issue to the Board for further examination prior to responding to the appeals. The issue being remanded concerns Louisiana Energy Service's decommissioning funding estimate allocated for disposal of triuranium octa oxide. All of you -- Chairman Jackson, Commissioner McGaffigan and Commissioner Dicus -- have voted to affirm this Order. Commissioner Diaz had also voted to affirm it and had he been present today, he would have affirmed. So I ask you now to affirm your votes.

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CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Aye. COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye. COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye. MR. HOYLE: Thank you. I can confirm I heard her vote. CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Is there anything else to come before us today? COMMISSIONER DICUS: No, not from me. MR. HOYLE: And not from here. CHAIRMAN JACKSON: If not, we stand adjourned. MR. HOYLE: Thank you very much. [Whereupon, at 10:33 a.m., the affirmation session was adjourned.]

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