

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

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

Friday, September 28, 2001

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 9:25 a.m., Richard A. Meserve, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

RICHARD A. MESERVE, Chairman
GRETA J. DICUS, Member of the Commission
EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission
JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

ANNETTE L. VIETTI-COOK, Secretary
KAREN D. CYR, General Counsel

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[9:25 a.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Before we start this morning's meeting we have one matter of business that we need to conduct - an affirmation.

Madam Secretary will you proceed?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a final rule amending 10 CFR Part 55 to allow the use of simulation facilities by applicants for operator and senior operator licenses to fulfill a portion of the required experience prerequisites as an alternative to manipulation of the controls of the actual plant.

The Commission has voted to approve the publication and implementation of this final rule subject to the changes attached.

Would you please affirm your votes.

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Aye

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye

That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Good.

Meeting adjourned.

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