

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland
Wednesday, December 5, 2001

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 1:40 p.m.,

Richard A. Meserve, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

RICHARD A. MESERVE, Chairman

GRETA J. DICUS, Member of the Commission

NILS J. DIAZ, 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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[1:40 p.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Why don't we get started? I have to apologize to the Advisory Committee that we were testifying, or I was testifying this morning and I fortunately had lots of reinforcements behind me, but mainly my colleagues here at the table, and it went considerably longer than we had anticipated. We do have two minor business items we need to clear up first-affirmations. Madam Secretary, you may proceed.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to an appeal by the Connecticut Coalition Against Millstone and the Standing for Truth About Radiation Foundation of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision in LBP-01-10 which found the petitioners' sole contention to be inadmissible.

The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which affirms the Board's decision in LBP-01-10. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner McGaffigan had previously agreed to this Order and had he been here he would have affirmed his vote. The second item the Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company's request for Commission review of the Licensing Board's decision in LBP-01-21. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which concludes that the request does not meet the standards for interlocutory review and denies the petition for directed certification. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: And again, Commissioner McGaffigan had previously approved this order and had he been here he would have affirmed his prior vote. That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN MESERVE: Thank you very much.

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