

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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AFFIRMATION SESSION

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PUBLIC MEETING

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland
August 17, 2006

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 10:00 am, Dale E. Klein, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

DALE E. KLEIN, Chairman of the Commission

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission (via TELECON)

GREGORY B. JACZKO, Member of the Commission (via TELECON)

PETER B. LYONS, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

KAREN D. CYR, General Counsel

EMILE L. JULIAN, Acting Secretary of the Commission

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[10:00 am]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Good morning. Are Commissioners Merrifield and Jaczko on the line?

MR. JULIAN: Yes they are.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Yes.

COMMISSIONER JACZKO: Yes.

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Any comments from my fellow Commissioners before we begin? Would you proceed?

MR. JULIAN: Thank you, Chairman Klein. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to petitions for review of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's Third Partial Initial Decision in this proceeding, LBP-06-15, issued on May 31, 2006. The Nuclear Information and Resource Service and Public Citizen argue that the Board should have permitted them to argue that the decommissioning cost estimate based on the Department of Energy (DOE) option was inadequate. The Louisiana Energy Service petition for review calls for review of the allegedly altered standard for evaluation of decommissioning cost estimates. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which accepts review of the Board's decision in LBP-06-15 and affirms the Board's conclusion that LES has shown reasonable assurance of adequate decommissioning funding for the DOE option. Chairman Klein, Commissioner McGaffigan and Commissioner Lyons, may I have your affirmation for the vote?

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER LYONS: Aye.

MR. JULIAN: Commissioner Merrifield? My have your affirmation for the vote?

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

MR. JULIAN: Commissioner Jaczko? May I have your affirmation?

COMMISSIONER JACZKO: Aye.

MR. JULIAN: Thank you. That concludes the affirmation.

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Any other comments? Okay, the meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

MR. JULIAN: Thank you.

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