# 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 Friday, May 16, 2003

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 10:55 a.m.

Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

NILS J. DIAZ. Chairman

GRETA JOY DICUS, Member of the Commission

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission (VIA TELECONFERENCE)

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK, Secretary of the Commission

KAREN D. CYR, Office of the General Counsel

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[10:55 a.m.]

# PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Is Commissioner Merrifield on the phone?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Yes.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ. Okay. I guess we're gathering for an affirmation. Madame Secretary?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace and the Union of Concerned Scientists petition for rulemaking and request to suspend the proceeding related to the Pacific Gas & Electric Company application to build a dry cask independent spent fuel storage installation at its Diablo Canyon site. The

Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which denies the request to suspend the adjudication pending Commission consideration of the petition for rulemaking. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Merrifield, would you please affirm your vote?

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Madam Secretary, is there any other issue?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: No.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: No, well thank you. We are adjourned.

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