UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland Wednesday, May 28, 2003

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 9:25 a.m.

Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

NILS J. DIAZ, Chairman

GRETA JOY DICUS, Member of the Commission (VIA TELECONFERENCE)

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

ANDREW L. BATES, Acting Secretary of the Commission

KAREN D. CYR, Office of the General Counsel

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[9:25 a.m.]

PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Good morning. I'm sorry we're running around.

Mr. Secretary, we have an affirmation to conduct before the meeting?

MR. BATES: Yes.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Please proceed.

MR. BATES: The item for affirmation before us this morning is SECY-03-0077, in the matter of the Private Fuel Storage and its an Order regarding the Petition for Review. The Commission is being asked to act on an Order and Memorandum responding to referral to the Commission in a March 10, 2003 Order by the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board of a Partial Initial Decision on air crash probability at the proposed Private Fuel Storage spent fuel facility in Utah. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which holds further Commission review in this matter in abeyance until the Board has completed its "consequences" review. The Commission will review all issues relating to air crash risk at that time and directs the Board to expedite its consequences review. Would you please affirm your votes please?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Mr. Secretary, is there any other issue?

MR. BATES: That's the only issue we have thank you.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Do you need to separately ask Commissioner Dicus?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Yes.

MR. BATES: Commissioner Dicus?

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

MR. BATES: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Thank you, Thank you, Commissioner Dicus. We will proceed now with our normal meeting.

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