# 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 Tuesday, December 9, 2003

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 1:25 p.m.,

Nils J. Diaz, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

NILS J. DIAZ, Chairman

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 of the Commission

KAREN D. CYR, Office of the General Counsel

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[1:25 p.m.]

## PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Madam Secretary I believe we have an affirmation before we start with our briefing.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to a petition by the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League seeking a review of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision, documented in LBP-03-17, which dismissed Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League's Amended Contention. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that denies the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League's petition for the review of the Licensing Board's decision in LBP-03-17 which was the Duke Power Corporation McGuire Nuclear Station and Catawba Nuclear Station petition for review of LBP-03-17. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Anything else Madam Secretary?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Fellow Commissioners?

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