# 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 Wednesday, February 18, 2004

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 9:30 a.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, General Counsel

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[9:30 a.m.]

# PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Good morning. I believe that before we hear from the CFO, Madame Secretary, you have a couple of items of affirmation?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Yes. In the matter of Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company the Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to the State of Maine's petition for review of LBP-03-26. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which affirms the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision in LBP-03-26. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

## COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The second matter is Duke Energy Corporation. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to the NRC staff petition for interlocutory review of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's January 29, 2004 disclosure order and the February 4, 2004 meeting order. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which grants review and reverses both the Board's orders. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

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

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Thank you so very much, Madame Secretary.

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