UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

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PUBLIC MEETING

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland Wednesday, November 10, 2004.

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 2:30 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, General Counsel

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[2:30 p.m]

PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN DIAZ: Good afternoon Madam Secretary. I believe we have some items for affirmation.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Yes. The first item is SECY-04-0186 - Exelon Generating Company (Clinton Early Site Permit). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to a petition by intervenors seeking Commission review of a Licensing Board Order (LBP-04-17) that granted a hearing but refused to admit one of the intervenor's contentions. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which denies the intervenor's petition for interlocutory review.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN Diaz: Aye

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye

MS. VIETTI-COOK: The second item is SECY-04-0189 the U.S. Department of Energy's (High Level Waste Repository: Pre-Application Matters); and it's DOE's Appeal of LBP-04-20. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to an appeal by the Department of Energy of one portion of the Board's decision in LBP-04-20. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which holds DOE's appeal in abeyance.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: 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 very much. Any comment? If not, we're adjourned.

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