UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland March 27, 2007

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 2:55 p.m.,

Dale E. Klein, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

DALE E. KLEIN, Chairman of the Commission

EDWARD MCGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

JEFFREY S. MERRIFIELD, Member of the Commission (via telephone)

GREGORY B. JACZKO, Member of the Commission

PETER B. LYONS, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

KAREN CYR, General Counsel

ANDREW L. BATES, Acting Secretary of the Commission

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PROCFEDINGS

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Any comments before we start? Dr. Bates?

ANDREW BATES: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Commissioner Merrifield, can you hear us?

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Yes.

ANDREW BATES: Okay. Thank you. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing the review of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's Initial Decision directing the issuance of an Early Site Permit for the Grand Gulf ESP site. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order which authorizes the staff to issue the early site permit. May I have your affirmations please?

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER JACZKO: Aye.

COMMISSIONER LYONS: Aye.

ANDREW BATES: Commissioner Merrifield?

COMMISSIONER MERRIFIELD: Aye.

ANDREW BATES: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN KLEIN: Any comments before we close? Meeting's adjourned. Thank you.

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