UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland May 11, 2012

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 8:55 p.m.,

Gregory B. Jaczko, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

GREGORY B. JACZKO, Chairman of the Commission

KRISTINE L. SVINICKI, Member of the Commission

GEORGE APOSTOLAKIS, Member of the Commission*

WILLIAM D. MAGWOOD, IV, Member of the Commission

WILLIAM C. OSTENDORFF, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

MARIAN ZOBLER, Acting General Counsel

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK, Secretary of the Commission

*Participated via speaker phone.

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[8:55 a.m.]

PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Good Morning, everyone. We have two items for affirmation, Annette do you want to read them?

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Apostolakis can you hear me okay?

COMMISSIONER APOSTOLAKIS: Yes, I can.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Okay, the first item is the Final Rule: Requirements for Maintenance of Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria. The Commission is being asked to act on a final rule amending the regulations in Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 52.99, "Inspection during construction," related to the verification of nuclear power plant construction activities through inspections, tests, analyses, and acceptance criteria (ITAAC) under a combined license. The rule adds new provisions that apply after a licensee has completed an ITAAC verification and submitted an ITAAC closure letter under 10 CFR 52.99(c)(1).

The Commission has voted to approve the publication and implementation of this final rule subject to the changes noted in the attachment. Would the Commissioners in the room please affirm your vote.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Aye. COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye. COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye. COMMISSIONER MAGWOOD: Aye. MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Apostolakis would you please affirm your vote. COMMISSIONER APOSTOLAKIS: Aye. MS. VIETTI-COOK: The second item is on Strata Energy Incorporated (Ross in situ Recovery Uranium Project). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to appeals by the NRC Staff and Strata Energy, Incorporated of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision granting a hearing to the Natural Resources Defense Council and the Powder River Basin Resource Defense Council (together referred to as Joint Petitioners) in the Ross in situ uranium recovery facility licensing proceeding. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order, which affirms the Board's order with respect to its finding of standing for Joint Petitioners. Would the Commissioners in the room please affirm your vote.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Aye.

COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye.

COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MAGWOOD: Aye.

MS. VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Apostolakis would you please affirm your vote. COMMISSIONER APOSTOLAKIS: Aye. MS. VIETTI-COOK: Thank you.

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