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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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Before Administrative Judges:

G. Paul Bollwerk, III, Chairman
Dr. Paul B. Abramson
Dr. Charles N. Kelber

In the Matter of

LOUISIANA ENERGY SERVICES, L.P.

(National Enrichment Facility)

Docket No. 70-3103-ML

ASLBP No. 04-826-01-ML

April 22, 2004

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER
(Scheduling Initial Prehearing Conference)

This is to advise the petitioners to this proceeding that the Licensing Board intends to hold an initial prehearing conference for this proceeding in the Hobbs, New Mexico area beginning on the morning of Tuesday, June 15, 2004.¹ Currently, the Board anticipates this conference should last no more than two days.

In a future issuance, we will provide the participants with additional information regarding the location and starting time for the prehearing conference and will outline how participant presentations will be organized.

The Board is aware that a number of individuals wish to make oral limited appearance statements in accord with 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(a). Although oral limited appearance sessions are not being scheduled in conjunction with this prehearing conference, such sessions may be held

¹ Although the April 6, 2004 intervention petition of the Nuclear Information and Resource Service and Public Citizen (NIRS/PC) currently is pending with the Commission, the Board believes it can reasonably anticipate this mid-June 2004 initial prehearing conference date will not interfere with Commission consideration of that submission. If this turns out not to be the case, the Board will reschedule the conference for a later date.

at some point in the future. In the interim, any interested individual can file a written limited appearance statement setting forth his or her position on the issues in this proceeding. A written limited appearance statement should be sent either by (1) mail to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, with a copy to the Chairman of this Licensing Board at Mail Stop T-3F23, Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001; (2) e-mail to the Office of the Secretary at hearingdocket@nrc.gov, with a copy to the Board Chairman (gpb@nrc.gov); or (3) fax to the Office of the Secretary at (301) 415-1101 (facsimile verification number: (301) 415-1966), with a copy to the Board Chairman at (301) 415-5599 (facsimile verification number: (301) 415-7550).

It is so ORDERED.

FOR THE ATOMIC SAFETY
AND LICENSING BOARD²

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G. Paul Bollwerk, III
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

Rockville, Maryland

April 22, 2004

² Copies of this memorandum and order were sent this date by Internet e-mail transmission to counsel for (1) applicant Louisiana Energy Services, Inc.; (2) petitioners New Mexico Environment Department, the Attorney General of New Mexico, and NIRS/PC; and (3) the NRC staff.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing LB MEMORANDUM AND ORDER (SCHEDULING INITIAL PREHEARING CONFERENCE) have been served upon the following persons by deposit in the U.S. mail, first class, or through NRC internal distribution.

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