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Chairman Nils Diaz  
US Nuclear Regulatory  
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Dear Chairman Diaz:

I am writing to voice my support for the construction of LES' proposed uranium enrichment facility to be built near Eunice, New Mexico. I speak for myself as a citizen of Lea County and as a Hobbs City Commissioner.

When I first heard about this facility I had many questions. Will it be safe? What affect will it have on the environment?

After visiting the model facility in the Netherlands and talking to the LES management team I know the NEF will be safe and it will be good for New Mexico. Further, it will be good for our country.

The Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was very positive for the NEF. I am glad that the NEF will have no large negative impact on our local resources. I am also very excited about the boost to our local economy that the NEF will bring. We certainly need a more diversified economy and new jobs. The NEF will help achieve both of these.

I look forward to welcoming NEF as a permanent part of our community and encourage you to approve their license application quickly.

After reviewing the Draft EIS, I firmly believe that the NEF will be both safe and environmentally sound to the citizens of Lea County.

Sincerely,

cc: Governor Bill Richardson  
Secretary Ron Curry  
New Mexico Attorney General Patricia Madrid

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