

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland 20852
June 2, 2016

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 8:55 AM., Stephen G. Burns, Chairman of the Commission, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

STEPHEN G. BURNS, Chairman of the Commission

KRISTINE L. SVINICKI, Member of the Commission

WILLIAM C. OSTENDORFF, Member of the Commission

JEFF BARAN, Member of the Commission

STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

MARGARET DOANE, General Counsel

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK, Secretary of the Commission

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[8:55 a.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN BURNS: Good Morning. Before we start the second meeting, we have an Affirmation session. I will ask the Secretary to lead us through the items.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: We have four items for affirmation. The first item is on SECY-16-0031 – *Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.* (Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing the NRC Staff's motion to vacate as moot the Board's decision in LBP-15-24, which granted the State of Vermont's request for a hearing. The Commission (with Commissioner Baran dissenting) has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that grants the Staff's motion. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN BURNS: Aye

COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye.

COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: The second item SECY-16-0037 Pacific Gas & Electric Co. (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing the appeal of Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Order LBP-15-27 by Friends of the Earth. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that affirms the Board's decision. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN BURNS: Aye

COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye.

COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: The third item SECY-16-0038 Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Indian Point Nuclear Generating Units 2 and 3). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order reversing Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Order LBP-11-17, which granted summary disposition of Contention NYS-35/36 in favor of New York. The Commission has voted to approve a memorandum and order that reverses the Board's decision, finds that summary disposition was appropriate in favor of Entergy and the NRC Staff, and dismisses Contention NYS-35/36. Additionally, the Commission directs the NRC license renewal Staff to refer the pending potentially cost-beneficial Severe Accident Mitigation Alternatives to the appropriate Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation staff for review and disposition, as appropriate, separate from this license renewal proceeding and directs the Board to dismiss Contention NYS-40. Chairman Burns did not participate in this matter. Would Commissioner Svinicki, Commissioner Ostendorff, and Commissioner Baran, please affirm your votes?

COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye.

COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: The fourth item SECY-16-0045 Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2). The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace's petitions for review of two Atomic Safety and Licensing Board decisions: LBP-15-29, in which the Board granted summary disposition of Contention EC-1, dismissed a proposed contention, and terminated the proceeding; and an August 2015 decision in which the Board dismissed two proposed contentions.

The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that denies the petitions for review. Would you please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN BURNS: Aye

COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye.

COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: That's all I have, Thank you.

CHAIRMAN BURNS: Ok, Thank you.

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