

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

FANSTEEL, INC.

Docket No. 40-7580-MLA

ASLBP No. 00-772-01-MLA

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DESIGNATION OF PRESIDING OFFICER

Pursuant to delegation by the Commission dated December 29, 1972, published in the Federal Register, 37 Fed. Reg. 28,710 (1972), and Sections 2.1201 and 2.1207 of Part 2 of the Commission's Regulations, a single member of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel is hereby designated to rule on petitions for leave to intervene and/or requests for hearing and, if necessary, to serve as the Presiding Officer to conduct an informal adjudicatory hearing in the following proceeding.

FANSTEEL, INC.  
(Muskogee, Oklahoma Facility)

The hearing, if granted, will be conducted pursuant to 10 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart L, of the Commission's Regulations, "Informal Hearing Procedures for Adjudications in Materials and Operator Licensing Proceedings." This proceeding concerns a request for hearing submitted by the Attorney General of the State of Oklahoma. The request was filed in response to a notice of consideration by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of an amendment request of Fansteel, Inc., for construction of a containment cell at the

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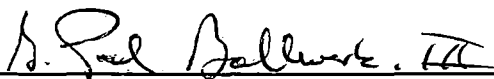
Fansteel Facility in Muskogee, Oklahoma. The notice of the amendment request was published in the Federal Register at 64 Fed. Reg. 49,823 (Sept. 14, 1999).

The Presiding Officer in this proceeding is Administrative Judge Thomas S. Moore. Pursuant to the provisions of 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.722, 2.1209, Administrative Judge Thomas D. Murphy has been appointed to assist the Presiding Officer in taking evidence and in preparing a suitable record for review.

All correspondence, documents, and other materials shall be filed with Judge Moore and Judge Murphy in accordance with 10 C.F.R. § 2.1203. Their addresses are:

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Issued at Rockville, Maryland,  
this 26th day of October 1999.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing DESIGNATION OF PRESIDING OFCR. have been served upon the following persons by U.S. mail, first class, except as otherwise noted and in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Sec. 2.712.

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