

September 4, 2018

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

In the Matter of	)	
	)	Docket No. 72-1051
Holtec International	)	
	)	
HI-STORE Consolidated Interim	)	
Storage Facility	)	
	)	

**PETITION BY THE CITY OF HOBBS TO PARTICIPATE AS AN  
INTERESTED LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL BODY**

On March 30, 2017, Holtec International filed its application for a license to construct and operate the HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage Facility in Lea County, New Mexico. On July 16, 2018, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission published a notice of opportunity to request a hearing and petition for leave to intervene. 83 Fed .Reg. 32919. The notice invited any State, local governmental body, Federally-recognized Indian Tribe, or agency thereof to participate as a non-party in the proceeding on the HI-STORE application, if one is initiated.

Section 2.315(c) of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice, 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), calls for the presiding officer in an adjudicatory proceeding to "afford an interested State, local governmental body (county, municipality, or other subdivision), and Federally-recognized Indian Tribe that has not been admitted as a party under § 2.309, a reasonable opportunity to participate in a hearing." Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), the City of Hobbs hereby requests permission to participate in these proceedings as an interested local governmental body.

The City of Hobbs is a municipality located in Lea County, New Mexico. The City of Hobbs' interest in the HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage Facility proceeding arises out of its geographic proximity to the proposed facility, anticipated support by governmental agencies, economic benefits, employment of its citizens, pre-existing scientific and nuclear operations workforce. As indicated by the attached Resolution, the City of Hobbs is authorized to participate in the HI-STORE proceeding under 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c).

As required by 10 C.F.R. § 2.315(c), the City of Hobbs designates Garry Buie as its single representative for the hearing. Garry Buie's contact information is as follows.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Petition by City of Hobbs to Participate as an Interested Local Governmental Body, has been served through the EFiling system on the participants in the above-captioned proceeding this \_\_\_\_ day of September, 2018.

/signed electronically by Sam D. Cobb

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