

UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland
July 15, 2022

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice at 1:00 PM., Christopher T. Hanson, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

CHRISTOPHER T. HANSON, Chairman (via teleconference)

JEFF M. BARAN, Member of the Commission (via teleconference)

DAVID A. WRIGHT, Member of the Commission (via teleconference)

ALSO PRESENT:

MARIAN ZOBLER, General Counsel (via teleconference)

BROOKE P. CLARK, Secretary of the Commission (via teleconference)

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[1:00 p.m.]

P R O C E E D I N G S

CHAIRMAN HANSON: Thank you operator. Good afternoon, I am Christopher Hanson, Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and I am presiding over this public affirmation session, which is being conducted by teleconference.

Joining me are the other currently serving members of the Commission. May I have each Commissioner affirm their presence when I call their name:

Commissioner Baran, [Here]

Commissioner Wright, [I'm Here]

Also participating are:

BROOKE P. CLARK, Secretary of the Commission, [Here]

and

MARIAN ZOBLER, General Counsel. [I'm Here]

This meeting is open to the public to listen in.

Madam Secretary, I believe we have two items for affirmation this afternoon. Would you please lead the Commission through?

BROOKE CLARK: Yes, thank you. Today's first item is SECY-21-0099 – Entergy Nuclear Operations, Incorporated, Entergy Nuclear Palisades, LLC, Holtec International, and Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing a petition for leave to intervene and request for a hearing filed in this proceeding by the Michigan Attorney General; Beyond Nuclear, Michigan Safe

Energy Future, and Don't Waste Michigan; the Environmental Law & Policy Center; and Mr. Mark Muhich. This proceeding concerns a license transfer application involving the renewed facility operating license for the Palisades Nuclear Plant, the general license for the Palisades Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, the facility operating license for Big Rock Point, and the general license for the Big Rock Point Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation. Entergy Nuclear Operations, Incorporated., Entergy Nuclear Palisades, LLC, Holtec International, and Holtec Decommissioning International, LLC seek NRC approval of the indirect transfer of control of the licenses to Holtec International and of the transfer of operating authority to Holtec Decommissioning International to conduct decommissioning and spent fuel management activities at the sites. They also seek NRC approval of conforming administrative license amendments to reflect the requested transfers.

The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that grants the Attorney General of Michigan's request for hearing; admits one financial qualifications contention encompassing four distinct disputes; and denies the other requests for hearing. The Commission further directs the Chief Administrative Judge of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel to appoint a single administrative judge as Presiding Officer to take all necessary actions to compile, complete, and certify the hearing record to the Commission.

Would you please affirm your votes after I call your name?

CHAIRMAN HANSON: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER WRIGHT: Aye.

BROOKE CLARK: Thank you. Today's second item is SECY-22-0055:
EnergySolutions, Inc, excuse me LLC – Indirect License Transfer (Zion Nuclear Power Station,

Units 1 and 2; Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2; La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor; Kewaunee Power Station; Radioactive Materials License; Export Licenses).

The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order addressing a petition for leave to intervene and request for hearing filed in this proceeding by Mr. Eric Epstein. The proceeding concerns a license transfer application submitted by EnergySolutions, LLC. The application involves four facilities and several licenses; however, Mr. Epstein's petition focuses on Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2.

The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order denying Mr. Epstein's request and terminating the proceeding.

Would you please affirm your votes after I call your name?

CHAIRMAN HANSON: Aye.

COMMISSIONER BARAN: Aye.

COMMISSIONER WRIGHT: Aye.

BROOKE CLARK: Thank you very much. That's all I have.

CHAIRMAN HANSON: Thank you Madam Secretary. Would any of the members of the Commission like to make comments regarding the decisions just issued?

<PAUSE>

CHAIRMAN HANSON: OK hearing none, thank you all for your participation, I will call the affirmation session to a close.

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