# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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## **AFFIRMATION SESSION**

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## PUBLIC MEETING

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Nuclear Regulatory Commission Commission Hearing Room 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, Maryland July 17, 2014

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 8:55 a.m.,

Allison M. Macfarlane, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:
ALLISON M. MACFARLANE, Chairman of the Commission
KRISTINE L. SVINICKI, Member of the Commission
WILLIAM D. MAGWOOD, IV, Member of the Commission
WILLIAM C. OSTENDORFF, Member of the Commission (via telecom)
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.]

### PROCEEDINGS

CHAIRMAN MACFARLANE: Ok, I think we will start our affirmation session. I am going to turn it over to Annette Vietti-Cook our Secretary.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Ostendorff can you hear me? Commissioner Ostendorff: I can.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: Ok, we have one item for affirmation. The Commission is being asked to act on a Memorandum and Order responding to petitions to suspend final decisions in twelve ongoing reactor licensing proceedings. The petitioners have filed a rulemaking petition seeking revisions to NRC regulations regarding the assessment of the environmental impacts of spent fuel storage during reactor operation, as well as associated petitions to suspend issuance of final licensing decisions in twelve ongoing matters pending resolution of the requested rulemaking. The Commission has voted to approve a Memorandum and Order that denies the suspension petitions. The Commission further directs the NRC staff to deny a collateral request in the rulemaking petition to suspend licensing decisions in all other pending reactor licensing proceedings. It also directs the staff to seek Commission approval if during the resolution of the rulemaking petition, the staff determines that suspension of the rules or the environmental assessments considering severe accident mitigation design alternatives is necessary. Would the Commissioner's in the hearing room please affirm your votes?

CHAIRMAN MACFARLANE: Aye. COMMISSIONER SVINICKI: Aye. COMMISSIONER MAGWOOD: Aye. ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: Commissioner Ostendorff would you please affirm your vote?

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COMMISSIONER OSTENDORFF: AYE.

ANNETTE VIETTI-COOK: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MACFARLANE: Ok. Thank you.

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