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Chairman Nils Diaz
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Office of Public Affairs
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Dear Chairman Diaz,

Lea County is very excited about the National Enrichment Facility locating outside of Eunice. The oil and gas industry has supported Lea County and the State of New Mexico for over 75 years. Now is the time to diversify!

Annual facility operations will involve approximately 210 employees who will receive an estimated annual pay of \$10 million and an estimated \$3.1 million in annual benefits. In addition, the project will create 400 to 800 short-term jobs for New Mexico construction workers.

I feel confident that the National Enrichment Facility can bring benefits to Eunice and to our nation while safeguarding my friends, family, and our environment.

Based on my encounters with the LES team, I am sure your careful consideration of the application will lead you to the same conclusion – this is a good plan, and LES is a good neighbor.

Sincerely,

Cc: Governor Bill Richardson
Secretary Ron Curry

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