

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

AFFIRMATION SESSION

PUBLIC MEETING

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Commission Hearing Room
11555 Rockville Pike
Rockville, Maryland

Wednesday, May 13, 1998

The Commission met in open session, pursuant to notice, at 10:35 a.m., Shirley Ann Jackson, Chairman, presiding.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

- SHIRLEY ANN JACKSON, Chairman of the Commission
- GRETA J. DICUS, Member of the Commission
- NILS J. DIAZ, Member of the Commission (present via speakerphone)
- EDWARD McGAFFIGAN, JR., Member of the Commission

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STAFF AND PRESENTERS SEATED AT THE COMMISSION TABLE:

- JOHN C. HOYLE, Secretary
- KAREN D. CYR, General Counsel

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P R O C E E D I N G S

[10:35 a.m.]

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Good morning. I understand Commission Diaz is on the line?

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: I'm on the line.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Good morning.

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Good morning.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: This is an affirmation session. We have two items to come before us this morning. Before I ask the Secretary to lead us through the items for affirmation, do any of my colleagues have any opening comments they wish to make?

COMMISSIONER DICUS: No.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: If not, Mr. Secretary, please proceed.

MR. HOYLE: Thank you, Chairman Jackson. The first item is SECY-98-046. In this paper, the Commission is being asked to act on a rulemaking amending 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, 50, 70 and 72 to allow additional materials licensees and non-electric utility reactor licensees who meet certain financial criteria to self-guarantee funding for decommissioning. This rule allows non-profit licensees such as colleges, universities and hospitals as well as some commercial licensees who do not issue bonds to self-guarantee funding provided they meet similarly stringent financial criteria. All of you have voted to approve the

publication and implementation of this final rule. May I have you affirm your votes?

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CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

MR. HOYLE: Thank you. The second is SECY-98-060. The Commission is being asked in this paper to act on a final rule amending 10 CFR Part 32 in response to a petition for rulemaking submitted by mb-microtec, Inc. The rule change will allow distribution of timepieces that contained less than 25 millicuries of gaseous tritium light sources to be regulated according to the same requirements that regulate timepieces containing tritium paint. All of you have voted to approve the publication and implementation of this final rule. I ask you to affirm your votes.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DICUS: Aye.

COMMISSIONER DIAZ: Aye.

COMMISSIONER MCGAFFIGAN: Aye.

MR. HOYLE: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: Is there anything else to come before us today?

MR. HOYLE: No, there isn't, Chairman.

CHAIRMAN JACKSON: If not, we stand adjourned.

[Whereupon, at 10:38 a.m., the affirmation session was adjourned.]

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