

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. TA-2104-18]

U.S.-Central America Free Trade Agreement: Potential Economywide and Selected Sectoral Effects**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.**ACTION:** Notice of termination of investigation.**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 10, 2005.

SUMMARY: On January 5, 2005, the Commission received a letter from the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) stating that the USTR has withdrawn his request for a Commission report, pursuant to section 2104(f) of the Trade Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 3804(f)), assessing the likely impact of a free trade agreement (FTA) with Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua (Central America). Accordingly, the Commission has terminated investigation No. TA-2104-18, *U.S.-Central America Free Trade Agreement: Potential Economywide and Selected Sectoral Effects*, which was instituted pursuant to that request. The public hearing in this investigation, scheduled for January 18, 2005, is canceled.

Background: The Commission instituted the investigation following receipt of a request from the USTR on November 17, 2004. The Commission published notice of institution of the investigation in the **Federal Register** on December 28, 2004 (69 FR 77778). The January 5, 2005, letter from USTR noted that the USTR had requested the report in light of the fact that the Dominican Republic had enacted a tax on beverages sweetened with high fructose corn syrup (HFCS) that the United States regarded as incompatible with the Dominican Republic's obligations under the FTA that the United States had entered into with Central America and the Dominican Republic on August 5, 2004 (and on which the Commission had already provided a report). The letter stated that the Dominican Republic repealed the tax on December 29, 2004.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: January 10, 2005.

Marilyn R. Abbott,*Secretary to the Commission.*

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BILLING CODE 7020-02-P**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION****Sunshine Act Meeting****Agency Holding Meeting: National Science Board, Committee on Education and Human Resources.****DATE AND TIME:** January 18, 2005, 10 a.m. (ET).**PLACE:** The National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 110, Arlington, VA 22230, <http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>.**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:****Tuesday, January 18, 2005 Open Session***Open Session (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.)*

Discussion of the charge for an Industry panel on the S&E workforce.

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BILLING CODE 7555-01-P**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION****Atomic Safety and Licensing Board****[Docket No. 70-3103-ML; ASLBP No. 04-826-01-ML]****Memorandum and Order; Notice of Hearing and of Opportunity To Make Oral or Written Limited Appearance Statements**

January 7, 2005.

In the Matter of Louisiana Energy Services, L.P., (National Enrichment Facility); Before Administrative Judges: G. Paul Bollwerk, III, Chairman, Dr. Paul B. Abramson, Dr. Charles N. Kelber.

The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board hereby gives notice that it will convene an evidentiary hearing to receive testimony and exhibits and allow the cross-examination of witnesses relating to certain matters at issue in this proceeding regarding the December 2003 application of Louisiana Energy Services, L.P., (LES) for a license under 10 CFR part 70 to construct and operate a uranium enrichment facility—the National Enrichment Facility (NEF)—to be constructed near Eunice, New Mexico. In addition, the Board gives notice that, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.315(a), it will entertain oral

limited appearance statements from members of the public in connection with this proceeding.

A. Date, Time, and Location of Evidentiary Hearing

The Board will conduct an evidentiary hearing on certain environmental contentions (ECs) relating to this proceeding, currently scheduled to include contentions NIRS/PC EC-1—Impacts upon Ground and Surface Water; NIRS/PC EC-2—Impact upon Water Supplies; NIRS/PC EC-4—Impacts of Waste Storage; NIRS/PC EC-7—Need for the Facility, beginning on Monday, February 7, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., in the Lea County Event Center, 5101 Lovington Highway, Hobbs, New Mexico. The hearing on these issues will continue day-to-day until concluded.

The public is advised that, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.390, part of the sessions regarding each of the contentions may be closed to the public because the matters at issue may involve the discussion of protected information.

B. Date, Time, and Location of Oral Limited Appearance Statement Sessions

These sessions will be on the following date at the specified location and times:

1. *Date:* Saturday, February 12, 2005; *Time:* Morning Session (if there is sufficient interest)—10 a.m. to noon mountain standard time (m.s.t.); *Location:* Eunice Community Center, 1115 Avenue I, Eunice, New Mexico.
2. *Date:* Saturday, February 12, 2005; *Time:* Afternoon Session (if there is sufficient interest)—2 to 4 p.m. m.s.t.; *Location:* Same as Session 1 above.

C. Participation Guidelines for Oral Limited Appearance Statements

Any person not a party, or the representative of a party, to the proceeding will be permitted to make an oral statement setting forth his or her position on matters of concern relating to this proceeding. Although these statements do not constitute testimony or evidence, they nonetheless may help the Board and/or the parties in their consideration of the issues in this proceeding.

Oral limited appearance statements will be entertained during the hours specified above, or such lesser time as may be necessary to accommodate the speakers who are present.¹ In this

¹ Any members of the public who plan to attend either the evidentiary hearings or the limited appearance sessions are strongly advised to arrive early to allow time to pass through any security

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