

RESOLUTION NO. 2589

WHEREAS, the Energy Facilities Siting Council (EFSC) is conducting hearings to determine if the lime solids material produced by Teledyne Wah Chang Albany (TWCA) as a waste product is subject to the jurisdiction of the EFSC, and

WHEREAS, the 1979 Legislative Assembly established a Pathway Exemption which specifies levels of radioactivity in waste products which require a site certificate from the EFSC, and

WHEREAS, two independent scientifically performed studies by Science Applications, Inc. (SAI) and Battelle Pacific Northwest Laboratories have clearly documented that the levels of radon gas emitted from the two lime-solids waste storage ponds is below the level established by the Legislative Assembly requiring a site certificate from EFSC, and


WHEREAS, the findings of the SAI study have been supported by the State of Oregon represented by the Department of Environmental Quality Department of Water Resources and the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources which have all concurred that the lime solids material can be stored safely at its present location, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Michael Kay of Reed College, retained by the EFSC to independently evaluate the findings of the Battelle study, has reported that the conclusion of the study that the radon emission from the lime solids is below the level determined by the EFSC to be hazardous is scientifically valid, and

WHEREAS, the lengthy process of determining the jurisdiction of the EFSC has unreasonably detracted the corporation, its officers and employees from their primary purpose of producing goods which create jobs and strengthen both the state and local economy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Oregon Energy Facilities Siting Council is urged to promptly conclude its hearings and determine that on the basis of all available scientific data the characteristics of the lime solids wastes maintained by Teledyne Wah Chang Albany comply with the Pathway Exemption and no site certificate is required for its continued storage in Oregon.

DATED this 8th day of January, 1986.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Recorder

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