

INFORMATION REPORT

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*No input this week.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR)
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Receipt of Florida Power Corporation License Renewal Application for the Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Generating Plant

On December 18, 2008, the staff received the license renewal application, dated December 16, from Florida Power Corporation for the Crystal River Unit 3 Nuclear Generating Plant. If the application is found acceptable for docketing, the staff intends to begin the environmental and safety reviews in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR Parts 51 and 54. The receipt of the license renewal application for Crystal River brings the number of applications under review to 14.

Acceptance of Nebraska Public Power District License Renewal Application for the Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS)

On December 19, 2008, the staff completed the acceptance review of the license renewal application for CNS and determined that the application contains sufficient information for docketing. On September 30, 2008, the staff received from Nebraska Public Power District an application requesting the extension of the operating license for CNS for an additional 20 years. The current operating license for CNS expires on January 18, 2014. CNS is a Boiling Water Reactor designed by General Electric and is located near Brownville, Nebraska.

Issuance of the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3 License Renewal Draft Supplemental Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Public Comment

On December 22, 2008, the staff issued the draft of NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Supplement 38, Regarding Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3," (ML083570034) for public comment. This supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) includes the staff's preliminary analysis that considers and weighs the environmental effects of the proposed action, the environmental impacts of alternatives to the proposed action, and mitigative measures available for reducing or avoiding adverse impacts. It also includes the staff's preliminary recommendation that the Commission determine the adverse environmental impacts of license renewal for Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3 are not so great that preserving the option of license renewal for energy planning decision makers would be unreasonable.

A 75-day public comment period is scheduled to begin with the Notice of Filing of the draft SEIS with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The staff has scheduled public meetings on February 12, 2009, in Cortlandt Manor, New York, to present its analyses and to accept public comments on the draft SEIS.

Clinton Power Station, Unit No 1; Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station and its Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation; and Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 – License Transfer

On December 23, 2008, orders were issued to approve the transfer of the AmerGen Energy Company, LLC licenses for Clinton Power Station, Unit No. 1 (ML082750176); Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station and its independent spent fuel storage installation (ML082750240); and Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 to Exelon Generating Company, LLC (ML082750047). The licensee has stated that the closing of the transfer is expected to occur as early as January 8, 2009.

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Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS)
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Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) White Paper on Nuclear Fuel Recycling

On December 19, 2008, NEI submitted to NRC a white paper (ML083590114), developed by its task force on recycling, on a proposed regulatory framework for an NRC-licensed used nuclear fuel recycling facility. The 148-page white paper addresses several regulatory considerations including the need for a new Part 7x; baseline design criteria; criteria for technical specifications and quantitative assessments; operator licensing; inspection, tests, analysis, and acceptance criteria; and one-step licensing of various non-reactor facilities associated with recycling under one license. NEI has requested the NRC to use the white paper as an information source in its efforts to establish a regulatory framework for non-reactor recycling facilities and as a foundation for open discussion with industry representatives on the matter.

Public Phone Meeting on Additional Information on Yucca Mountain License Application

On December 30, 2008, NRC staff held a public phone call with U.S. Department of Energy staff on a Key Positions Request for Additional Information. The public listened to the call via teleconference connections.

Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES)
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Publication of Regulatory Guide (RG) 3.25, "Standard Format and Content of Safety Analysis Reports for Uranium Enrichment Facilities"

On December 30, 2008, the staff published Revision 1 of RG 3.25, which provides guidance on the type of information that is acceptable to the NRC staff for review of a safety analysis report for uranium enrichment facilities. RG 3.25 is available on the NRC website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/reg-guides/fuels-materials/active/>.

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Office of Information Services (OIS)
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Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and Privacy Act (PA) Requests Received During the Period of December 25, 2008 through January 1, 2009:

Environmental impact; citizen's impact statement; up-to-date information on emergencies in Federal Emergency Management Agency publication, "Are You Ready?"	FOIA/PA-2009-0053
Disposal at sea of 294 drums of radioactive waste in Pacific Ocean SW of Ketchikan, Alaska, AEC license 46-03623-01, records detailed in 1994 Government Accountability Office report (B-256471)	REF-2009-0002
Material License Tracking System, active and retired facilities	FOIA/PA-2009-0054

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Office of Human Resources (HR)
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Arrivals		
Alley, David	MATERIALS ENGINEER	NRR
Bowlin, Elizabeth	SECRETARY (OA)	RES
Castelli, Lisa	SR. CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR	RII
Day, Kerstun	ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST	OE
Diggs, Courtney	OFFICE AUTOMATION ASSISTANT	OGC
Harris, Brian	ATTORNEY	OGC
Mahaffy, John	CONSULTANT	RES
McHugh, James	REACTOR TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR	HR
Rubin, Marla	SECRETARY (OA)	RII
Ryan, Michelle	PROJECT MANAGER FST LIAISON	FSME
Saxton, John	HYDRIGEOLOGIST	FSME
Tripp, Peggy	SECRETARY (OA)	RII
Ward, Steven	STUDENT ENGINEER (CO-OP)	NMSS
Zaki, Tarek	REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	RES
Retirements		
Anderson, Russell	CHIEF, SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL	HR
Bacon, Deborah	TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNICIAN	RIV
Burnside, Wayne	SR. INFORMATION SECURITY SPECIALIST	NSIR
Cardile, Francis	SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	FSME
Clark, Kenneth	SENIOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER	OPA
Elder, Clifford	COMPUTER OPERATOR	ADM
Elliot, Barry	SENIOR MATERIALS ENGINEER	NRR
Garcia, Emilio	HEALTH PHYSICIST	RIV
Gross, Robert	BRANCH CHIEF	RI
Johnson, Claude	BRANCH CHIEF	RIV
Kadambi, Narasimha	SENIOR REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	RES
Kouhestani, Amir	PROJECT MANAGER	FSME
Madera, John	BRANCH CHIEF	RIII
Montgomery, James	HEALTH PHYSICIST	RIV
Norris, Barry	SENIOR PROJECT ENGINEER	RI
Olshan, Leonard	SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER	NRR
Orr, Frank	REACTOR ENGINEER (NUCLEAR ENGINEER)	NRR
Rubin, Mark	BRANCH CHIEF	NRR
Schroll, Ruth	POLICY COORDINATOR	SECY

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Shaukat, Syed	STRUCTURAL ENGINEER	RES
Tatum, James	SENIOR REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	NRO
Whitney, Leon	SENIOR REACTOR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	NRR
Departures		
Buhowski, Robert	ELECTRICAL ENGINEER	NRO
Chenier, Donna	CONSULTANT	OIP
Gately, Matthew	IT SPECIALIST (NSPDP)	RI
Holmes, Renee Valarie	ATTORNEY	OGC
Jones, Fangie	NUCLEAR SYSTEMS ENGINEER	RIV
Lois, Lambros	SENIOR NUCLEAR ENGINEER	NRR
Wexler, Elizabeth	GENERAL SCIENTIST	NRR

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Office of the Secretary (SECY)
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Document Released to Public	Date	Subject
Information Papers		
1. SECY-08-0193	12/19/08	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending December 12, 2008
2. SECY-08-0198	12/30/08	Weekly Information Report – Week Ending December 19, 2008

Commission Correspondence

1. Letter to Rep. Edward J. Markey, dated December 09, 2008, responds to letter expressing concerns about NRC fire protection regulations.