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Subject: NRC RuleForum Form Submission: Increase Power Reactor Annual Fee

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Re: Increase Power Reactor Annual Fee
Comments:

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PROPOSED RULE **PR 170+171**
(65FR16250)

Sir,
The NRC should be familiar with the competitive, unregulated market place that challenges many utilities today. First Energy has worked hard to reduce operating and maintenance costs at Davis Beese to ensure a chance at surviving. Concessions have been asked of its employees both in compensation and time. The NRC proposed 3 dollar an hour pay raise is not acceptable. If there are 530 fewer material licensees to regulate, why do you need more money? Ultimately, the high cost of regulating this industry is passed on to the consumer. Electric rates in Toledo Ohio are among the highest in the state. Businessess complain, fail to locate in Toledo, or simply leave Toledo because of the rates. Help the Nuclear Generating community by controlling and reducing the annual fees not by increasing them to pay higher wages.