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NRC ANNOUNCES OPPORTUNITY FOR EVIDENTIARY HEARING ON TURKEY POINT NUCLEAR POWER PLANT LICENSE RENEWAL

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has announced the opportunity to request an evidentiary hearing on a request for renewal of the operating licenses for Units 3 and 4 of the Turkey Point Nuclear Power Plant. The facility is operated by Florida Power & Light (FP&L) Company, and is located near Florida City, Florida.

FP&L is seeking a 20-year extension of the current Turkey Point licenses, which expire on July 19, 2012, for Unit 3, and April 10, 2013, for Unit 4. The NRC staff has begun reviewing both safety and environmental aspects of the application, received on September 11.

The deadline for hearing requests is November 13 -- 30 days after the Federal Register notice was published. By that time, petitions requesting a hearing and leave to intervene must be filed by anyone whose interest might be affected by the license renewal and who wishes to participate as a party to the proceeding.

Petitions for a hearing and leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. They may also be delivered to the NRC Public Document Room at 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor) Rockville, Maryland, 20855-2738. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001, and to Thomas F. Plunkett, President - Nuclear Division, Florida Power & Light Company, P.O. Box 14000, Juno Beach, FL 33408-0420.

More information about the opportunity for hearing may be found in a Federal Register notice published on October 12. A complete list of the steps in the license renewal review process and more detailed information about nuclear plant license renewal can be found at: http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/REACTOR/LR/index.html on the NRC web site.

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