

## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 52-007]

### Exelon Generating Company, LLC; Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Exelon ESP Site and Associated Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) has published NUREG-1815, "Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Exelon ESP Site: Draft Report for Comment." The site is located near the town of Clinton in DeWitt County, Illinois. The application for the ESP was submitted by letter dated September 25, 2003, pursuant to Title 10 Code of the Federal Regulations Part 52 (10 CFR part 52). The application included a site redress plan in accordance with 10 CFR 52.17(c) and 52.25. If the site redress plan is incorporated in an approved ESP, then the applicant may carry out certain site preparation work and preliminary construction activities. A notice of receipt and availability of the application, which included the environmental report (ER), was published in the **Federal Register** on October 24, 2003 (68 FR 61020). A notice of acceptance for docketing of the application for the ESP was published in the **Federal Register** on October 30, 2003 (68 FR 61835). A notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement and to conduct the scoping process was published in the **Federal Register** on November 25, 2003 (68 FR 66130).

The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that NUREG-1815, "Environmental Impact Statement for an Early Site Permit (ESP) at the Exelon ESP Site: Draft Report for Comment," is available for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR) located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland 20852, or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), and will also be placed directly on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov>. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the PDR reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov). In addition, the

Vespasian Warner Public Library, located at 310 North Quincy Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, has agreed to make the DEIS available for public inspection.

The NRC staff will hold a public meeting to present an overview of the DEIS and to accept public comments on the document. The public meeting will be held at the Vespasian Warner Public Library, located at 310 North Quincy Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727, on Tuesday, April 19, 2005. The meeting will convene at 7 p.m. and will continue until 10 p.m., as necessary. The meeting will be transcribed and will include: (1) A presentation of the contents of the DEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the draft report. Additionally, the NRC staff will host informal discussions one hour before the start of the meeting at the library. No formal comments on the DEIS will be accepted during the informal discussions. To be considered, comments must be provided either at the transcribed public meeting or in writing. Persons may register to attend or present oral comments at the meeting by contacting Ms. Jennifer Davis, by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 3835, or by Internet to the NRC at [ClintonEIS@nrc.gov](mailto:ClintonEIS@nrc.gov) no later than April 13, 2005. Members of the public may also register to speak at the meeting within 15 minutes of the start of the meeting. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. Members of the public who have not registered may also have an opportunity to speak, if time permits. Ms. Davis will need to be contacted no later than April 13, 2005, if special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

Members of the public may send written comments on the DEIS concerning the Exelon ESP application to the Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop T-6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and should cite the publication date and page number of this **Federal Register** Notice. Comments may also be delivered to Room T-6D59, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. during Federal workdays. To be considered, written comments should be postmarked by May 25, 2005. Electronic comments may

be sent by the Internet to the NRC at [ClintonEIS@nrc.gov](mailto:ClintonEIS@nrc.gov). Electronic submissions should be sent no later than May 25, 2005. Comments will be available electronically and accessible through the NRC's PERR link at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Jennifer Davis, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001. Ms. Davis may be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of March, 2005.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Pao-Tsin Kuo,**

*Program Director, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 158th meeting on March 15-17, 2005, Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, December 8, 2004 (69 FR 71084).

The schedule for this meeting is as follows:

#### Tuesday, March 15, 2005

*10:30 a.m.-10:40 a.m.: Opening Statement (Open)*—The ACNW Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of today's sessions.

*10:40 a.m.-11:40 a.m.: Preparation of ACNW Reports (Open)*—The Committee will discuss potential letter report on the Status of High-Significant Agreements Associated with the Proposed HLW Repository. Other potential letter reports may be discussed.

*1 p.m.-3 p.m.: Preparation for the March 16, 2005 Briefing with NRC Commissioners (Open)*—The Committee will review the briefing materials to be discussed with the Commission on March 16, 2005.

*3 p.m.-5 p.m.: Preparation for Visit to the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA) (Open)*—The

Committee will review its preparation for its planned visit to the CNWRA in San Antonio, Texas on April 14–15, 2005. The purpose of this visit is to review the technical assistance work being performed on behalf of the NRC's Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

### Wednesday, March 16, 2005

8:30 a.m.–9 a.m.: *Final Preparation for Commission Briefing* (Open).

9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: *Meeting with the NRC Commissioners* (Open)—The Committee will meet with the NRC Commissioners in the Commission's Conference Room, One White Flint North. The outline for this proposed meeting is as follows:

- Introductory Remarks.
- Working Group Meetings.
- ICRP Draft Recommendations.
- Waste Management Research Review.
- Future Activities/Working Groups.
- 2005 ACNW Action Plan.

1 p.m.–1:10 p.m.: *Opening Statement* (Open)—The ACNW Chairman will begin the meeting with brief opening remarks, outline the topics to be discussed, and indicate items of interest.

1:10 p.m.–2:40 p.m.: *Estimation of Groundwater Recharge at the Watershed Scale: Implications for Model Abstractions and Validations* (Open)—The ACNW will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research and Department of Agriculture/Agricultural Research Service staff on field studies to test and evaluate groundwater recharge estimation techniques, methods, and their uncertainties.

2:40 p.m.–3:40 p.m.: *NMSS Office Director Semi-Annual Briefing* (Open)—The Committee will be briefed by the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards on recent activities of interest to the Committee.

4 p.m.–5 p.m.: *Status of NRC's Review of USEC Inc.'s License Application for a Gas Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Facility* (Open)—The Committee will receive a briefing by an NMSS representative on the status of the license application for the proposed facility in Piketon, Ohio.

5 p.m.–6 p.m.: *Preparation of ACNW Reports* (Open)—The Committee will discuss potential reports on the Estimation of Groundwater Recharge Techniques and Status of USEC Inc.'s License Application for a Gas Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Facility.

### Thursday, March 17, 2005

8:30 a.m.–8:40 a.m.: *Opening Statement* (Open)—The ACNW Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of today's sessions.

8:40 a.m.–11 a.m.: *Preparation for ACNW May 2005 Visit to Japan* (Open)—The Committee will review preparations for its planned visit to Japan on May 14–21, 2005. The purpose of this visit is to meet with representatives of the Japan Nuclear Safety Commission (Tokyo). In addition, the Committee will meet with the operators of the Rokkasyo-Mura low-level radioactive waste reprocessing and disposal facility. Members will also meet with representatives of the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute, the Japan Nuclear Cycle Development Institute, the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency, Japan Nuclear Fuel Limited, and the Nuclear Waste Management Organization of Japan.

1 p.m.–1:30 p.m.: *ACNW White Paper on Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management Issues* (Open)—The Committee will discuss the format and content of a potential ACNW White Paper addressing technical issues in the management of civilian low-level radioactive waste.

1:30 p.m.–3 p.m.: *Miscellaneous* (Open)—The Committee will discuss matters related to the conduct of ACNW activities, and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit. Discussions may include future Committee Meetings.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 18, 2004 (69 FR 61416). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify Ms. Sharon A. Steele, (Telephone 301–415–6805), between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. ET, as far in advance as practicable so that appropriate arrangements can be made to schedule the necessary time during the meeting for such statements. Use of still, motion picture, and television cameras during this meeting will be limited to selected portions of the meeting as determined by the ACNW Chairman. Information regarding the time to be set aside for taking pictures may be obtained by contacting the ACNW office prior to the meeting. In view of the possibility that the schedule for ACNW meetings may

be adjusted by the Chairman as necessary to facilitate the conduct of the meeting, persons planning to attend should notify Ms. Steele as to their particular needs.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted, therefore can be obtained by contacting Ms. Steele.

ACNW meeting agenda, meeting transcripts, and letter reports are available through the NRC Public Document Room at [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov), or by calling the PDR at 1–800–397–4209, or from the Publicly Available Records System (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS) which is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/> (ACRS & ACNW Mtg schedules/agendas).

Video Teleconferencing service is available for observing open sessions of ACNW meetings. Those wishing to use this service for observing ACNW meetings should contact Mr. Theron Brown, ACNW Audiovisual Technician (301–415–8066), between 7:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. ET, at least 10 days before the meeting to ensure the availability of this service. Individuals or organizations requesting this service will be responsible for telephone line charges and for providing the equipment and facilities that they use to establish the video teleconferencing link. The availability of video teleconferencing services is not guaranteed.

Dated: March 4, 2005.

**Annette Vietti-Cook,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act; Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**DATE:** Week of March 7, 2005.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

### Matters to be Considered

*Week of March 7, 2005*

Monday, March 7, 2005

11:30 a.m. Discussion of Security Issues (Closed—Ex. 1).