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**POTENTIAL RENEWAL OF OPERATING LICENSES
SALEM GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1&2 AND
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION
OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-70, DPR-75 AND NPF-57
DOCKET NOS. 50-272, 50-311, AND 50-354**

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that Public Service Electric and Gas Company intends to investigate the submittal of applications to renew the Operating Licenses of Salem Generating Station Units 1 and 2, and the Hope Creek Generating Station, in accordance with 10 CFR Part 54. The current Salem Operating Licenses will expire August 13, 2016 and April 18, 2020, for Units 1 and 2 respectively. The current Hope Creek Operating License expires on April 11, 2026. Contingent on the satisfactory conclusion of an assessment that license renewal is in the best interests of the Company and its stakeholders, we anticipate that the license renewal applications for both Salem units and Hope Creek would be submitted in 2007. As the preparation of the applications progresses, the submittal date will be finalized.

This notification of intent is not considered a regulatory commitment. We will inform the NRC immediately upon any change in intent.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. David Garchow, Vice President - Technical Support, at (856) 339-3250.

Sincerely,



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