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NRC IS CONSIDERING ISSUING AN ORDER
APPROVING A DECOMMISSIONING PLAN FOR SHOREHAM

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff is considering issuance of an order approving a decommissioning plan for the Shoreham nuclear power station and providing an the opportunity for a public hearing on that plan.

Long Island Lighting Company (LILCO) currently holds a license to possess the Shoreham reactor located in Suffolk County, New York, but is not allowed to operate it. Under an agreement between LILCO and New York State, LILCO has agreed to transfer ownership of Shoreham to Long Island Power Authority (LIPA), an entity of New York State, for decommissioning.

The NRC staff order would approve a decommissioning plan submitted by LIPA. However, before decommissioning can commence, the NRC must approve the transfer of ownership to LIPA.

A notice published in the Federal Register by the NRC provides an opportunity for a public hearing on the plan to anyone whose interest may be affected. Requests for a hearing and a petition to intervene must be filed by January 22 with the Secretary of the Commission, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch. The request must detail the interest of the petitioner and how that interest may be affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

More information about the order and the process required for requesting a hearing may be obtained from the notice published in the Federal Register on December 23, 1991.

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