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Comments: I think it is absolutely imperative the the public be afforded ample time and notification in which to comment on extension of licensing of nuclear power plants. This should include details on the useful life of components and why we are apparently departing from a decision on the safe life of these power plants. It is terrible that this issue has just come to light and that apparently the government and energy industry elements sought to keep it essentially under wraps. Besides the safety issues over time of power plants and their components...the life cycle cost of these plants should be examined as it is substantial, especially when you consider the challenges of disposing of nuclear waste. The longer they operate the less cost effective they become.

We need to move away from nuclear power and into using renewable energy as soon as possible and sink more resources into renewable and less into nuclear.

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