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Please attend if you can. Also there will be another meeting of Commissioners in mid-February, on a Tues night, so plan to come to that if you can. Thanks. Judy

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More Civil Disobedience at CP&L

Larger Group Will Press For Safety Hearings on Nuclear Waste Expansion

Another round of nonviolent civil disobedience will occur at CP&L headquarters Wednesday, as NC WARN and the Coalition Against Nuclear Imports to the Triangle (CANIT) protest the company's \$2 million blockade against safety hearings on its proposed nuclear waste expansion.

Wednesday, Jan. 23rd, 12 noon CP&L Building, Fayetteville St. Mall, Raleigh

Amplifying the activists' resolve are two recent events: 1) a bizarre approval of the waste expansion by a high-ranking Nuclear Regulatory Commission official, which came despite an ongoing review by a separate NRC licensing board. Orange County has appealed. 2) a new NRC study which shows accident risks at nuclear cooling pools to be much higher than previously believed, and that cooling pools are more vulnerable to terrorism or sabotage than nuclear reactors.

Trespassing charges against three citizens were dismissed earlier this month after they were arrested in October seeking a meeting with CP&L CEO William Cavanaugh.

For two years, Orange County has legally pressed for safety hearings on the plan to create the nation's largest concentration of highly irradiated waste fuel assemblies. Other local, state and federal elected officials, along with thousands of citizens, have also called for full hearings. And recently, Sen. John Edwards and Rep. David Price questioned the NRC's approval of the plan.

The new NRC study adds to the scientific concern about nuclear storage pools – and those at Shearon Harris in particular – and confirm the potential for accidents that could kill tens of thousands of people. CP&L and the NRC argue that the chance of an accident is remote but refuse to openly defend that claim. Two prominent experts working with Orange County warn that the expansion would substantially increase the risk of a severe nuclear accident. So far, CP&L and NRC lawyers have prevented them from testifying in a hearing, where the company and agency would have to answer the concerns.

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NC WARN and CANIT have advised Raleigh police of their intentions and have asked for their cooperation. They have also notified CP&L.

The groups complain that CP&L has used its legal muscle to block scientific debate, and its public relations machine to distort the issue and mute criticism, tactics they call blatantly undemocratic. Chatham County resident Dr. Laura Wimbish Vanderbeck said, "We feel a moral obligation to do all that is peacefully possible to assert our right to protect ourselves and expose this unfair and unwise process."

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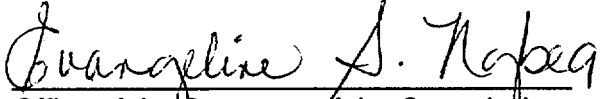
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