

Mr. Mark P. Oncavage  
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Miami, Florida 33176

July 11, 2001

Dear Mr. Oncavage:

In a letter to the Commissioners dated June 11, 2001, you described concerns regarding the NRC's plans for a public meeting on the draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS) related to the license renewal application for Turkey Point Units 3 and 4. During an inspection exit meeting on June 8, 2001, you heard that the NRC staff was planning to hold the DSEIS meeting on July 17, 2001, instead of the August 24, 2001 target date listed on the NRC's website. At that time, you had not received the DSEIS and concluded that the plans for the public meeting would not provide interested members of the public with an opportunity to prepare for the meeting.

The target dates on the license renewal website represent a work plan, but those dates can change as the work progresses. In this case, the DSEIS was issued on June 12, 2001, over one month ahead of our target date. Our goal is to hold the public meeting several weeks into the public comment period, which began on June 22. This allows all stakeholders the opportunity to have adequate time to review the document before the meeting, as well as allowing adequate time after the meeting for stakeholders to develop comments using information presented at the meeting. The public meeting provides the NRC staff with an opportunity to explain the report and its findings, as well as providing the public with an opportunity to comment on the DSEIS. We understand from your letter that our website presentation was unclear and we have initiated steps to change the website to reflect current information regarding meeting schedules.

On June 12, 2001, the NRC sent the DSEIS to the applicant and interested members of the public, and described the change in the meeting date in advance of the formal announcement of the meeting. You and other participants in the scoping process were on the distribution for the DSEIS. In addition, following receipt of your letter, the NRC contacted you and arranged for an additional 25 copies of the report to be express-mailed to you to facilitate your preparations for the meeting.

Your letter described your petition for a hearing, based on contentions related to environmental issues that are now addressed in the DSEIS. The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (ASLB) determined that you had standing, but denied your petition. Your appeal to the Commission on the ASLB's decision is still pending. This meeting is separate from the treatment of your petition.

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We appreciate your interest in the safety of the Turkey Point plant. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Christopher Grimes at 301-415-1183.

Sincerely,

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