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Ms. Karen Mayne, Supervisor  
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR LIST OF PROTECTED SPECIES WITHIN THE AREA UNDER  
EVALUATION FOR THE SURRY AND NORTH ANNA POWER STATIONS  
LICENSE RENEWAL

Dear Ms. Mayne:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is evaluating an application submitted by Virginia Electric and Power Company for the renewal of the operating licenses for its Surry and North Anna Power Stations, Units 1 and 2. The NRC is preparing station-specific supplements to its "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants" (NUREG-1437) for this proposed license renewal, for which we are required to evaluate potential impacts to threatened and endangered species.

The proposed action would include use and continued maintenance of existing facilities and transmission lines and would not result in new construction or disturbance. The Surry Power Station is located on the James River in Surry County, Virginia. The transmission line corridors for this station pass through portions of Surry, Isle of Wight, Prince George, and Charles City counties, and the corporate limits of the cities of Suffolk, Chesapeake, Newport News, and Hopewell, Virginia. In total, the corridors include about 5000 acres (170 miles in length).

The North Anna Power Station is located on the south side of Lake Anna in Louisa County, Virginia. The transmission line corridors for this station pass through portions of Louisa, Hanover, Goochland, Powhatan, Henrico, Chesterfield, Spotsylvania, Caroline, Orange, Culpeper, and Fauquier counties, Virginia. In total, the corridors include about 2900 acres (120 miles in length). In addition, Lake Anna, which is fed by the North Anna River and impounded by the North Anna Dam, is used as part of the cooling system for North Anna Power Station. Therefore, the lake and the Lower North Anna River are considered part of the aquatic environment of interest.

To support the environmental impact statement preparation process and to ensure compliance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, the NRC requests a list of species and information on threatened, endangered, proposed, and candidate species and critical habitat that may be in the vicinity of the Surry and North Anna Power Stations and their associated transmission lines. We have enclosed figures showing the location of the stations and their associated transmission lines.

Also, we would like confirmation that the Chesapeake Bay Field Office will serve as the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's point of contact for Endangered Species Act compliance, including any Section 7 consultation that may be needed, for the Surry and North Anna Power Stations.

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If you have any comments or questions, please contact Andrew J. Kugler, Senior Project Manager, at (301) 415-2828.

Sincerely,  
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