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NOTE TO EDITORS:

PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE ON IP2 LICENSE AMENDMENT IS CANCELED

A Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board pre-hearing conference on a license amendment for the Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant has been canceled. The plant, located in Buchanan, NY, is operated by Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.

Entergy had requested a license amendment for a one-time five-year extension of the period within which to conduct the containment integrated leak rate test, which normally would be required every 10 years. Riverkeeper, Inc., had submitted a petition to intervene and a pre-hearing conference was scheduled for next Tuesday, August 27.

In accordance with NRC regulations, which allow the NRC staff to issue an amendment prior to, but subject to, the outcome of any associated hearings, the NRC staff issued the amendment on August 5.

On August 21, Riverkeeper notified the Board that it was withdrawing its petition for intervention and consenting to the issuance of the amendment without further proceedings.

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