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Bob, FPL has applied to the NRC for a license renewal for the St. Lucie Nuclear Plant. They want to operate the plant for an additional 20 years beyond their current license expiration dates (2016 and 2023). Part of our review is preparing a Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact statement for license renewal- basically an EIS is prepared. Obviously part of the review are T&E species. We are having a scoping meeting/site visit the first week in April. I would like to invite you to the site visit (2 Apr 02) and the public meetings (3 Apr 02). I will be sending out specific information to everyone in the next couple of weeks.

We will be sending you a letter requesting a list of protected species from the site and beginning informal consultation. Obviously the big issue is whether or not we need to reinitiate formal consultation in light of the recent completed consultation.

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