

November 4, 2003

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PLANT-SPECIFIC
SUPPLEMENT 16 TO THE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT REGARDING LICENSE RENEWAL FOR QUAD CITIES
NUCLEAR POWER STATION (TAC NOS. MB6845 and MB6846)

Dear Mr. Skolds:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed the draft plant-specific Supplement 16 to NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants," regarding the renewal of operating licenses DPR-29 and DPR-30 for Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station (QCNPS), for an additional 20 years of operation. Enclosed is a copy of the report for your review and comment.

The draft report will be filed with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and a Notice of Filing will be subsequently published by the EPA in the *Federal Register*. Any comments on the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS should be addressed to:

Chief
Rules and Directives Branch
Division of Administrative Services
Office of Administration
Mailstop T-6D 59
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Comments may also be submitted electronically to the NRC at QuadCitiesEIS@nrc.gov. The comment period will end on January 27, 2004. A public meeting will be held at The Mark of the Quad Cities, 1201 River Drive, Moline, IL, on December 16, 2003, regarding the

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draft report. A separate Notice of Availability will also be published in an upcoming *Federal Register* by the NRC, along with details regarding the December 16, 2003, public meeting.

Sincerely,
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Docket Nos.: 50-254 and 50-265

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

EXELON GENERATION COMPANY, LLC

QUAD CITIES NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-254, 50-265

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SUPPLEMENT 16 TO GENERIC
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE
LICENSE RENEWAL OF QUAD CITIES NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has published a draft plant-specific supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS), NUREG-1437, regarding the renewal of operating licenses DPR-29 and DPR-30 for an additional 20 years of operation at Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station (QCNPS). QCNPS is located in Rock Island County, Illinois, approximately 4 miles north of Cordova, Illinois. Possible alternatives to the proposed action (license renewal) include no action and reasonable alternative energy sources.

The draft supplement to the GEIS is available for public inspection in the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, or, electronically, from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room). Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC's PDR reference staff at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to pdrc@nrc.gov. In addition, the Cordova

District Library, 402 Main Avenue, Cordova, Illinois; the River Valley Library, 214 South Main Street, Port Byron, Illinois; and the Davenport Public Library, 321 Main Street, Davenport, Iowa, have agreed to make the draft supplement to the GEIS available for public inspection.

Any interested party may submit comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS for consideration by the NRC staff. To be certain of consideration, comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS and the proposed action must be received by January 27, 2004. Comments received after the due date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC staff is able to assure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Written comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS should be sent to: Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop T-6D 59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001.

Comments may be hand-delivered to the NRC at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:45 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. on Federal workdays. Electronic comments may be submitted to the NRC by e-mail at *QuadCitiesEIS@nrc.gov*. All comments received by the Commission, including those made by Federal, State, and local agencies, Native American Tribes, or other interested persons, will be made available electronically at the Commission's PDR in Rockville, Maryland, and from the PARS component of ADAMS.

The NRC staff will hold a public meeting to present an overview of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS and to accept public comments on the document. The public meeting will be held on December 16, 2003, at The Mark of the Quad Cities, 1201 River Drive, Moline, Illinois. There will be two sessions to accommodate interested parties. The first session will commence at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m. The second session will commence at 7:00 p.m. and will continue until 10:00 p.m. Both meetings will be transcribed and will include: (1) a presentation of the contents of the draft plant-specific supplement to the GEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and

individuals to provide comments on the draft report. Additionally, the NRC staff will host informal discussions one hour prior to the start of each session at the same location. No comments on the draft supplement to the GEIS will be accepted during the informal discussions. To be considered, comments must be provided either at the transcribed public meeting or in writing, as discussed below. Persons may pre-register to attend or present oral comments at the meeting by contacting Mr. Louis L. Wheeler by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 1444, or by e-mail at dxw@nrc.gov no later than December 10, 2003. Members of the public may also register to provide oral comments within 15 minutes of the start of each session. Individual, oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, the need should be brought to Mr. Wheeler's attention no later than December 10, 2003, to provide the NRC staff adequate notice to determine whether the request can be accommodated.

For further information, contact: Mr. Louis L. Wheeler, License Renewal and Environmental Impacts Program, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555-0001. Mr. Wheeler may be contacted at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 4th day of November, 2003.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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