

November 14, 2006

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SUBJECT: SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION LICENSE RENEWAL  
APPLICATION REVIEW

Dear Mr. Hartle:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is reviewing an application submitted by PPL Susquehanna, LLC (PPL), for the renewal of the operating licenses for Susquehanna Steam Electric Station (SSES), Units 1 and 2. SSES is located along the Susquehanna River approximately five miles northeast of Berwick, Pennsylvania. As part of the review of the license renewal application (LRA), the NRC is preparing a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) under the provisions of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 51 (10 CFR Part 51), the NRC regulations that implement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969.

PPL is requesting the renewal of its operating licenses for Units 1 and 2 for a period of 20 years beyond the expiration of the current license term, renewing the licenses until July 2042 and March 2044, respectively. The proposed action would include the use and continued maintenance of existing plant facilities and transmission lines; PPL does not plan to construct or alter any facilities associated with the plant during the period of extended operation.

The NRC staff plans to hold two identical public NEPA scoping meetings on November 15, 2006, at the Eagles Building, located at 107 South Market Street in Berwick, Pennsylvania. The first meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m., and will continue until 4:30 p.m., as necessary. The second meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m., and will continue until 10:00 p.m., as necessary. From May 7-11, 2007, the NRC plans to conduct a site audit. You and your staff are invited to attend both the site audit and the public meetings. Your office will receive a copy of the draft SEIS along with a request for comments. The anticipated publication date for the draft SEIS is December 2007.

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If you have any questions concerning the NRC staff review of this LRA, please contact Ms. Alicia Mullins, Project Manager at 301-415-1224 or via e-mail at [axm7@nrc.gov](mailto:axm7@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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