

August 9, 2007

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SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NOS. 2 & 3 (INDIAN POINT)  
LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION REVIEW (SHPO NO. 06PR06720)

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff is reviewing an application to renew the operating license for Indian Point, which is located in Buchanan, NY, approximately 24 miles north of the New York City boundary line. Indian Point is operated by Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy). The application for renewal was submitted by Entergy by letter dated April 23, 2007, and supplemented by letters dated May 3, and June 21, 2007, pursuant to Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 54 (10 CFR Part 54).

The NRC has established that, as part of the staff's review of any nuclear power plant license renewal action, a site-specific Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) to its "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants," NUREG-1437, will be prepared under the provisions of 10 CFR Part 51, the NRC's regulation that implements the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). In accordance with 36 CFR 800.8(c), the SEIS will include analyses of potential impacts to historic and cultural resources.

In the context of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, the NRC staff has determined that the area of potential effect (APE) for a license renewal action is the area at the power plant site and its immediate environs that may be impacted by post-license renewal land-disturbing operations or projected refurbishment activities associated with the proposed action. The APE may extend beyond the immediate environs in those instances where post-license renewal land-disturbing operations or projected refurbishment activities specifically related to license renewal may potentially have an effect on known or proposed historic sites. This determination is made irrespective of ownership or control of the lands of interest.

On September 19, 2007, the NRC will conduct two public NEPA scoping meetings at the Colonial Terrace, located at 119 Oregon Road in Cortlandt Manor, NY. You and your staff are invited to attend. Your office will receive a copy of the draft SEIS along with a request for comments. The staff expects to publish the draft SEIS in July 2008.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Ms. Jill Caverly, Environmental Project Manager, by phone at 301-415-6699 or by email at [jsc1@nrc.gov](mailto:jsc1@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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