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Mr. Andrew Heyl
Land Use Regulation Program
Bureau of Coastal Management
NJ Department of Environmental Protection
501 East State Street
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0439

Re: Renewal Application of Oyster Creek Generating Station,
Docket No. 1500-02-004.4

Dear Mr. Heyl:

The Pinelands Preservation Alliance has reviewed the submission by the Oyster Creek Generation Station (OCGS) for renewal of their Federal Consistency Certification with Coastal Zone Management Rules.

I have a concern with the comments in Section 7:7E-3.38, which deals with Endangered or Threatened wildlife or plant species habitats. OCGS was charged by the DEP to address endangered or threatened wildlife or plant species, which are on Federal or State lists of endangered or threatened species. Since the land holdings are also within the Pinelands National Reserve consideration should also be given to those plants listed in the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan under section 7:50-6.27. This list includes Pine Barren reedgrass (*Calamovilfa brevipilis*), which is located on Block 41, Lot 43 owned by AmerGen in Ocean Township, Ocean County. There is no development being proposed on this location but should be listed as being on their property.

Under Section 7:7E-8.11 Public Access to the Waterfront, AmerGen is having discussions about providing public open space for fishing, crabbing, birding and nature walks on the Finninger Farm parcel. PPA is supportive of this proposal as long as the 220 acres are for passive recreation.

Sincerely,

Theresa Lettman
Director of Monitoring Programs