

November 2, 2007

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SUBJECT: BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2, LICENSE RENEWAL
APPLICATION REVIEW

Dear Mr. Hans:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is reviewing an application, submitted by FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC), for the renewal of the operating licenses for Beaver Valley Power Station (BVPS), Units 1 & 2, located near the town of Shippingport, Beaver County, 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's regulation that implements the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969.

BVPS 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 2036 and March 2047, respectively. The proposed action would include the use and continued maintenance of existing plant facilities and transmission lines; BVPS 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 meetings covering the license renewal review process and NEPA scoping on November 27, 2007, at the Embassy Suites Pittsburgh – International Airport, 550 Cherrington Parkway, Pittsburgh, PA 15108. 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 November 13-16, 2007, the NRC plans to conduct a site audit. You and your staff are invited to attend 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 September 2008.

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If you have any questions concerning the NRC staff's review of this LRA, please contact the Safety/Environmental Project Manager, Mr. Kent Howard, at 301-415-2989 or by e-mail at KLH1@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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