

## **2.0 INTRODUCTION**

The James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant is owned and operated by Entergy Nuclear FitzPatrick, LLC (ENF), Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO). This report is submitted in accordance with Offsite Dose Calculation Manual, Part I, Section 6.1. This report covers the calendar year 2007.

## **2.1 PROGRAM HISTORY**

Environmental monitoring at the Nine Mile Point site has been ongoing since 1964. The program includes five years of preoperational data, which was conducted prior to any reactor operations. In 1968, the Niagara Mohawk Power Company began the required preoperational environmental site testing program. This pre-operational data serves as a reference point to compare later data obtained during reactor operation. In 1969, the Nine Mile Point Unit 1 reactor, a 615 megawatt Boiling Water Reactor (BWR) began full power operation. In 1975, the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant, owned and operated at that time by the New York Power Authority, began full power operation. The FitzPatrick plant, an 892 megawatt (rated) BWR, occupies the east sector of the Nine Mile Point site, approximately 0.57 miles east of Nine Mile Point Unit 1. In 1988, the Nine Mile Point Unit 2 reactor, also owned and operated by Niagara Mohawk, began full power operation. This 1207 megawatt BWR is located between the Nine Mile Point Unit 1 and FitzPatrick sites.

In 1985, the individual Plant Effluent Technical Specifications were standardized to the generic Radiological Effluent Technical Specifications, much of which was common to the two reactors, and subsequently Nine Mile Point Unit 2. Subsequent Technical Specification amendments relocated the REMP requirements to the ODCM for all three plants. Data generated by the Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program is shared, but each utility reviews and publishes their own annual report. On November 21, 2000 the ownership and operation of the James A. FitzPatrick N.P.P. was transferred from the New York Power Authority to Entergy Nuclear FitzPatrick, LLC and Entergy Nuclear Operations Inc. The facility operating license No. DPR-59 and Docket No. 50-333 remained the same. On November 7, 2001, the ownership of the Nine Mile Point Unit I and II facilities was transferred to Constellation Nuclear. These facilities are operated by Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, LLC.

In summary, three Boiling Water Reactors, which together generate 2714 megawatts, have operated collectively at the Nine Mile Point site since 1988. A large database of environmental results from the exposure pathways have been collected and analyzed to evaluate the potential impact from reactor operations.

## **2.2 SITE DESCRIPTION**

The Nine Mile Point site is located on the southeast shore of Lake Ontario in the town of Scriba, approximately 6.2 miles northeast of the city of Oswego. The nearest metropolitan area is located approximately 36 miles southeast of the site. The James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant and support buildings occupy a small shoreline portion of the 702 acre Entergy site, which is partially wooded. The land, soil of glacier deposits, rises gently from the lake in all directions. Oswego County is a rural environment, with about 15% of the land devoted to agriculture.

## **2.3 PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program are to:

1. Measure and evaluate the effects of plant operation on the environs and to verify the effectiveness of the controls on radioactive material sources.
2. Monitor natural radiation levels in the environs of the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant site.
3. Demonstrate compliance with the requirements of applicable federal regulatory agencies, including Technical Specifications and the Offsite Dose Calculation Manual.