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Dominion Nuclear Power, LLC;
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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact
Statement and Conduct Scoping Process

Dominion Nuclear Power, LLC (Dominion), has submitted an application for a combined license (COL) for its **North Anna Power Station (NAPS or North Anna)** site to build Unit 3, located on approximately 2,057 acres in Calvert County, Maryland, approximately 40 miles southeast of Washington, DC, and 7.5 miles north of Solomons, Maryland, along the western bank of the Chesapeake Bay. The application for the COL was submitted by letter dated November 27, 2007, pursuant to the requirements of Title 10, Part 52, and in accordance with 10 CFR 2.101(a)(5). A notice of receipt and availability of the application, which included the ER, was published in the Federal Register on February 4, 2008 (73 FR 6528). A notice of acceptance for docketing of the application for the COL was published in the Federal Register on February 4, 2008 (73 FR 6528). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will be preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) in support of the review of the COL application and to provide the public an opportunity to participate in the environmental scoping process, as defined in 10 CFR 51.29.

In addition, as outlined in 36 CFR 800.8(c), ``Coordination with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended,`` the NRC staff plans to coordinate compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) with steps taken to meet the requirements of NEPA. Pursuant to 36 CFR 800.8(c), the NRC staff

intends to use the process and documentation for the preparation of the EIS on the proposed action to comply with section 106 of the NHPA in lieu of the procedures set forth in 36 CFR 800.3 through 800.6.

In accordance with 10 CFR 51.45, 10 CFR 51.50, and 10 CFR 2.101(a)(5), Dominion submitted the ER along with the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) as part 1 of the application. The ER was prepared pursuant to 10 CFR Parts 51 and 52 and is available for public inspection at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland, or from the Publicly Available Records component of the NRC's Agency-wide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>, which provides access through the NRC's Electronic Reading Room (ERR) link. The accession number in ADAMS for the ER is **MLXXXXXXXXXX**. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC's PDR Reference staff at 1-800-397-4209 or 301-415-4737, or by sending an e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov. The application may also be viewed on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/col/north-anna.html>. In addition, the **Calvert Library, Southern Branch located at 20 Appeal Lane, Lusby, Maryland, and Calvert Library, Prince Frederick located at 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick, Maryland, have agreed to make the ER available for public inspection.**

The following key reference documents related to the COL application and the NRC staff's review process are available through

the NRC's Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov>:

a. 10 CFR Part 51, Environmental Protection Regulations

for
Domestic Licensing and Related Regulatory Functions,
b. 10 CFR Part 52, Licenses, Certifications, and
Approvals for
Nuclear Power Plants,
c. 10 CFR Part 100, Reactor Site Criteria,
d. NUREG-1555, Standard Review Plans for Environmental
Reviews for
Nuclear Power Plants,
e. NUREG/BR-0298, Brochure on Nuclear Power Plant
Licensing
Process,
f. Fact Sheet on Nuclear Power Plant Licensing Process,
g. Regulatory Guide 4.2, Preparation of Environmental
Reports for
Nuclear Power Stations,
h. Regulatory Guide 1.206, Combined License
Applications for
Nuclear Power Plants, and
i. NRR Office Instruction LIC-203, Procedural Guidance
for
Preparing Environmental Assessments and Considering
Environmental
Issues.

The regulations, NUREG-series documents, regulatory
guides, and
fact sheet can be found under Document Collections in the
Electronic
Reading Room on the NRC Web page. Finally, Office
Instruction LIC-203
can be found in ADAMS in two parts under accession numbers
ML011710073
(main text) and ML011780314 (charts and figures).

This notice advises the public that the NRC intends to
gather the
information necessary to prepare an EIS in support of the
review of the
application for the COL at the North Anna COL site.
Possible
alternatives to the proposed action (issuance of the COL at
the NAPS
COL site) include no action and consideration of
alternative sites. The
NRC is required by 10 CFR 51.20(b)(2) to prepare an EIS in
connection
with the issuance of a COL. This notice is being published
in
accordance with NEPA and NRC regulations found in 10 CFR
Part 51.

The NRC will first conduct a scoping process for the EIS and, as soon as practicable thereafter, will prepare a draft EIS for public comment. Participation in the scoping process by members of the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal government agencies is encouraged. The scoping process for the EIS will be used to accomplish the following:

- a. Define the proposed action which is to be the subject of the EIS;
- b. Determine the scope of the EIS and identify the significant issues to be analyzed in depth;
- c. Identify and eliminate from detailed study those issues that are peripheral or that are not significant;
- d. Identify any environmental assessments and other EISs that are being or will be prepared that are related to, but are not part of the scope of the EIS being considered;
- e. Identify other environmental review and consultation requirements related to the proposed action;
- f. Identify parties consulting with the NRC under the NHPA, as set forth in 36 CFR 800.8(c)(1)(i);
- g. Indicate the relationship between the timing of the preparation of the environmental analyses and the Commission's tentative planning and decision-making schedule;
- h. Identify any cooperating agencies and, as appropriate, allocate assignments for preparation and schedules for completing the EIS to the NRC and any cooperating agencies; and
- i. Describe how the EIS will be prepared and include any contractor assistance to be used.

The NRC invites the following entities to participate in the scoping process:

- a. The applicant, Dominion;
- b. Any Federal agency that has jurisdiction by law or

special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved or that is authorized to develop and enforce relevant environmental standards;

c. Affected State and local government agencies, including those authorized to develop and enforce relevant environmental standards;

d. Any affected Indian tribe;

e. Any person who requests or has requested an opportunity to participate in the scoping process; and

f. Any person who intends to petition for leave to intervene.

In accordance with 10 CFR 51.26, the scoping process for an EIS may include a public scoping meeting to help identify significant issues related to a proposed activity and to determine the scope of issues to be addressed in an EIS. The NRC will hold a public scoping meeting for the EIS regarding the North Anna COL application on Wednesday, April 16, 2008, at the Louisa County High School, 757 Davis Highway, Mineral, Virginia. The meeting will convene at 7:00 p.m. and will continue until approximately 10:00 p.m. The meeting will be transcribed and will include: (1) An overview by the NRC staff of the NEPA environmental review process, the proposed scope of the EIS, the proposed review schedule, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to submit comments or suggestions on the environmental issues or the proposed scope of the EIS. Additionally, the NRC staff will host an informal discussion one hour before the start of the meeting. No formal comments on the proposed scope of the EIS will be accepted during the informal discussion open house. To be considered, comments must be provided either at the transcribed public meeting or in writing, as discussed below. Persons may register to attend or present oral comments at the

meeting on the scope of the NEPA review by contacting Ms. Alicia Williamson or Ms. Laura Quinn at 1-800-368-5642, extension 1878 or 2220, respectively. In addition, persons can register via e-mail to the NRC at NORTHANNA.COLAEIS@nrc.gov, no later than April 10, 2008.

Members of the public may also register to speak at the meeting within 15 minutes of the start of the meeting. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. Members of the public who have not registered may also have an opportunity to speak, if time permits. Public comments will be considered in the scoping process for the EIS. Ms. Williamson or Ms. Quinn will need to be contacted no later than April 7, 2008, if special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

Members of the public may send written comments on the environmental scope of the North Anna COL review to the Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop T-6D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001 and should cite the publication date and page number of this Federal Register notice. Comments may also be delivered to Room T-6D59, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., during Federal workdays. To be considered in the scoping process, comments should be received by the end of the scoping comment period, which is **May XX, 2008**. Written comments should be postmarked by **April 14, 2008**. Electronic comments may be sent via the Internet to the NRC at NORTHANNA.COLAEIS@nrc.gov. Submissions should be sent no

later than
April 14, 2008, to be considered in the scoping process.
Comments will
be available in the meeting summary report electronically
and
accessible through the NRC's ERR link at
[http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/
adams.html](http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html).

Participation in the scoping process for the EIS does
not entitle
participants to become parties to the proceeding to which
the EIS
relates. Notice of a hearing regarding the application for
a
COL will be the subject of a future Federal Register notice
if UniStar
submits the remaining portion of the Calvert Cliffs COL
application and
the NRC staff finds it acceptable for docketing.

At the conclusion of the scoping process, the NRC staff
will
prepare a concise summary of the determination and
conclusions reached,
including the significant issues identified, and will send
a copy of
the summary to each participant in the scoping process. The
summary
will also be available for inspection through the NRC's ERR
link. The
staff will then prepare and issue for comment the draft
EIS, which will
be the subject of separate notices and a separate public
meeting. A
copy of the draft EIS will be available for public
inspection at the
above-mentioned address, and one copy per request will be
provided free
of charge. After receipt and consideration of the comments,
the NRC
staff will prepare a final EIS, (which will also be
available for
public inspection).

Information about the proposed EIS and the scoping
process may be
obtained from Ms. Alicia Williamson, Environmental Project
Manager,
(301) 415-1878.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this th day of February

2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
James Lyons
Director, Office of New Reactors

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Dominion Nuclear Power

Richmond, Virginia

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND CONDUCT SCOPING RELATED TO THE COMBINED LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE NORTH ANNA POWER STATION COMBINED LICENSE SITE (TAC NO. RC XXXX)

Dear Mr. XXXX:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has received your application dated November 27, 2007, for a combined license (COL) for the Dominion Virginia Power (Dominion) North Anna Power Station (NAPS) COL Site. In accordance with 10 CFR 2.101(a)(5), 10 CFR Part 52, and 10 CFR Part 51, Dominion submitted an environmental report (ER) along with a Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR). The NRC staff has prepared a notice of intent (NOI) that advises the public that the NRC intends to gather information necessary to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) in support of the review of the application for the COL. Enclosed is a copy of the NOI, which has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.28, Dominion is invited to participate in the environmental scoping process. As discussed in the enclosed notice, the staff is providing the public with the opportunity to participate in the environmental scoping meeting to be held Wednesday, April 16, 2008. The NRC will present an overview of the environmental review process and will describe how the process will be implemented for the review of the NAPS COL application. The meeting will be held at the Louisa County High School located at 757 Jefferson County Highway, Mineral Virginia. A separate NRC meeting notice is being issued with a more detailed agenda. You will be provided a copy of that notice in a separate transmittal.

Additionally, NRC staff and contractors plan to be on site April 14 – April 18, 2008, to discuss the background details of the preparation of the ER with members of your staff, to perform a walk down of the site and its environs, and to review documentation.

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Additional details regarding the site visit will be provided to your staff before the visit. In the interim, should you have any questions regarding the scoping meeting or the staff's environmental review, please contact the NRC Environmental Project Manager, Ms. Alicia Williamson at (301) 415-1878.

Sincerely,

James E. Lyons, Director
Division of Site and Environmental Reviews
Office of New Reactors

Docket No.: 52-00XX

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Enclosure: As stated

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Additional details regarding the site visit will be provided to your staff before the visit. In the interim, should you have any questions regarding the scoping meeting or the staff's environmental review, please contact the NRC Environmental Project Manager, Mr. Thomas Fredrichs at (301) 415-5971.

Sincerely,

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