



STATE OF DELAWARE  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
DIVISION OF SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION  
89 KINGS HIGHWAY  
DOVER, DELAWARE 19901

DELAWARE COASTAL  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

TELEPHONE: (302) 739-9283  
FAX: (302) 739-2048

July 14, 2009

Edward J. Keating  
Regulatory Affairs  
P.O. Box 236/N21  
Hancocks Bridge, NJ 08038

*RE: Renewal of USNRC Licenses, Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Facility*

Dear Mr. Keating:

The Delaware Coastal Management Program (DCMP) staff would like to thank you for meeting with us on July 8, 2009, regarding the renewal process of your United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission licenses. We very much appreciate your willingness to coordinate with us on this issue, as we will likely be providing comments during the various phases of the license renewal process.

At the meeting, we discussed the possibility of a Federal Consistency certification from the state of Delaware for these license renewals. After careful review of our regulations, we have determined that a Federal Consistency Certification is not required for this project, as we are in the process of developing and approving our Interstate Federal Consistency process as per CFR930 Subpart I. Until this process is complete, the state of Delaware cannot review activities outside of its state coastal zone boundary.

As you know, the Delaware Bay is an important resource shared among various sectors, and future actions having interstate coastal affects will likely require Delaware Federal Consistency Review, following the approval of our Interstate Federal Consistency Process.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me or Kathleen McCole at (302) 739-9283.

Sincerely,

Sarah W. Cooksey, Administrator  
Delaware Coastal Programs

SWC/Kathleen McCole

cc: File

Nancy Ranek --Exelon Nuclear  
Kathy Bunting--Howarth--Delaware Division of Water Resources  
Kathleen McCole-- DNREC