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*City of South Miami*

CITY COMMISSION

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July 23, 2010

The Honorable Gregory B. Jaczko, Chairman  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Mail Stop O-16G4  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Chairman Jaczko:


The City of South Miami Commission has adopted Resolution No. 141-10-13175 expressing their opposition to all plans for construction of any new nuclear power facilities and the expansion of existing nuclear power plants at FP&L Nuclear Power facility at Turkey Point, Homestead Florida.

South Miami supports energy policies based on investment in the rapid development of solar and wind energy, and all other proven renewable energy solutions, combined with a comprehensive program promoting energy efficiency and conservation.

As such, I am forwarding a copy of the executed Resolution asking for your support in opposing any construction of additional nuclear power plants at Turkey Point.

This resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Walter Harris. If you have any questions, please contact him at 305-663-6341 or by email [walterhrs@gmail.com](mailto:walterhrs@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

  
Nkenga A. Payne  
Deputy City Clerk

Enclosure

**RESOLUTION No: 141-10-13175**

**A Resolution of the Mayor and City Commission of the City of South Miami, Florida, opposing the construction of any additional nuclear power plants at Turkey Point, Homestead, Florida; and providing an effective date.**

**Whereas**, since 1972 FP&L's Turkey Point nuclear reactors have had a history of safety issues resulting in more than fifty citations from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other environmental and safety problems, including more than twenty citations and safety issues since 2008, and

**Whereas**, more than two million pounds of nuclear waste are stored at Turkey Point, and

**Whereas**, global warming and rising sea levels are a real danger to Turkey Point which was only five feet above sea level in 1972, and

**Whereas**, Turkey Point is in a hurricane and storm surge zone; and

**Whereas**, Turkey Point is situated between two national parks and over the water supply for the entire Florida Keys and much on southern Miami-Dade County; and

**Whereas**, salt water intrusion and increased levels of water salinity from the operation of Turkey Point Reactors 3 & 4 are already major concerns in the area; and

**Whereas**, the planned use of SW 359 Street as a service road through wetlands for Turkey Point 6 & 7 will compromise a \$135 Million CERP/Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Project; and

**Whereas**, Tritium and Strontium 90 are present in the area and research is currently being done to establish their levels and concentrations; and

**Whereas**, the construction of the additional nuclear power plants, as well as the operation of the existing facilities, will have adverse impacts on water quality, ecology, farm lands, cause salt water intrusion, as well as adversely impact the habitat of protected species, wetlands and much needed fresh groundwater input to Biscayne Bay, and

**Whereas**, the new nuclear power plants will require more than ninety million gallons of fresh water a day to cool the reactors, causing severe problems to the already water restricted Southeast Florida, and

**Whereas**, the safety of more than three million residents who reside within fifty miles of Turkey Point, Homestead, is being compromised with no possible evacuation plan nor countywide emergency medical plan in the event of a natural or manmade disaster at Turkey Point, and

Whereas, the International Atomic Energy Commission has stated that little can be done to protect nuclear facilities such as Turkey Point from an airborne terrorist attack or an attack on spent fuel, and

Whereas, the economic and ecological risks associated with the entire nuclear power fuel cycle are vast including the long term of safeguarding nuclear waste produced at Turkey Point, and

Whereas, the two additional nuclear power plants will take ten to fifteen years to become operational, which will make them technologically obsolete before completion, and

Whereas, the estimated cost of thirty billion dollars or more which the public is expected to prepay, would be much better spent on creating and/or subsidizing an alternative energy industry. This industry will create many thousands of permanent jobs, as opposed to the relatively few which would be created by establishing new nuclear power plants.

Whereas, the elected officials of South Miami whose job it is to protect the City's residents, strongly oppose FP&L's plans to build two additional nuclear power plants at Turkey Point, Homestead, Florida.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1.** The City of South Miami is opposed to all plans for construction of new nuclear power facilities and the expansion of existing nuclear power plants at the FP&L Nuclear Power facility at Turkey Point.

**Section 2.** The City of South Miami supports energy policies based on investment in the rapid development of solar and wind energy, and all other proven renewable energy solutions, combined with a comprehensive program promoting energy efficiency and conservation.

**Section 3.** The City Clerk shall provide a copy of this Resolution to Governor Charlie Crist, Miami-Dade Mayor Carlos Alvarez, The municipalities of Pinecrest, Palmetto Bay, Cutler Bay, Coral Gables, Doral and to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

ATTEST:

*Maria M. Mendez*  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

*Philip Stoddard*  
MAYOR

COMMISSION VOTE: 5-0

READ AND APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

*Laurence Longo*  
CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Stoddard: Yea  
Vice Mayor Newman: Yea  
Commissioner Beasley: Yea  
Commissioner Harris: Yea  
Commissioner Palmer: Yea

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