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Attn: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff.

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I would like to offer the following comments on docket NRC-2010-0291:

By petitioner's logic, the proposed 10 year renewal limit should be 5 years, since there will be people born and commercial interests affected after 10 years that are "yet unable or unprepared to speak for themselves." This is nonsense. One could argue that having a licensee apply more than 10 years out actually gives residents, potential residents, or commercial interests greater opportunity not to locate in the area of the plant if they so desire.

Petitioner would have one believe that the NRC is powerless once a renewal is docketed to address any of the potential safety or aging-related issues enumerated in the petition. This is more nonsense.

Petitioner would have one believe that a 20 year renewal window somehow circumvents or frustrates NEPA. It does no such thing. This assertion is predicated on the (misguided) belief that somehow there will be dramatic changes in how solar, wind, or other renewables penetrate the grid. When employed, I watched the California Altamont wind farm in dismay every day. I look forward to Cape Wind being litigated over the next decade. Consumers and energy regulators need certainty in the near, mid, and long-term horizon. Early nuclear power plant license renewal injects more certainty, not less, in that process.

Petitioner's conclusions convey no demonstrable safety, security, or environmental concerns regarding Seabrook; just their ideological opposition. This petition needs to be rejected.

Sincerely,

Mark Strauch

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General Comment

Comment attached as PDF

Attachments

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Rulemaking Comments

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Van,

Attached for docketing is a comment on PRM-54-6 (75 FR 59158) that I received via the regulations.gov website on October 25, 2010.

Thanks,
Carol

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