## ML110690043 New Nuclear Build Case Study

- ✓ Using a 2004 DOE study, Exelon estimates an NRC minimum funding assurance requirement in 2011 dollars for a dual unit decommissioning of \$~1.5B
  - If we assume the units are decommissioned at the end of the 40-year licensing period and using 3% cost escalation, then the decommissioning costs grows to ~\$5.1B
  - A guarantee of that size would not only significantly breach the TNW test (as defined by the NRC) but would also be incremental to the estimated cost to construct a dual-unit site<sup>1</sup>
  - For illustrative purposes, we contrasted the NRC's methodology with a net present value estimate

Est. Decommissioning Costs (Current \$)			
Decom. Year	Dual-Unit Cost (2003\$)	Dual-Unit Cost (2011\$)²	
1	\$120	\$152	
2	210	266	
3	296	375	
4	173	219	
5	164	208	
6	133	169	
7	44	56	
	\$1,141	\$1,445	

1) Source: Moody's June 2, 2008 Investor Services Report, "Costs for nuclear increase."

2) Assumes 3% cost escalation from 2003 to 2011.

3) Assumes 3% cost escalation from 2011.

4) Assumes 2% after-tax discount rate over relevant time periods.

Est. Decommissioning Costs (Post-Licensing)			
	Future Value <sup>3</sup>	Net Present Value⁴	
2011 2012			
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2051	\$497	\$69	
2052	893	118	
2053	1,296	163	
2054	781	93	
2055	764	87	
2056	639	69	
2057	219	23	
Total Est. Costs:	\$5,090	\$623	
Implied TNW Requirement:	\$30,538	\$3,736	

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