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Mr. Daniel Morris
Acting Regional Administrator
National Marine Fisheries Service
Northeast Region
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Gloucester, MA 01930-2276

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SUPPLEMENT TO THE FINAL PLANT-SPECIFIC SUPPLEMENT 38 TO THE GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR LICENSE RENEWAL OF NUCLEAR PLANTS REGARDING INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NOS. 2 AND 3 (TAC NOS. MD5411 AND MD5412)

Dear Mr. Morris:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has prepared the enclosed draft supplement to the final plant-specific Supplement 38 to NUREG-1437, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants" (GEIS), regarding the license renewal of Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3 (IP2 and IP3). The proposed action (license renewal) is not a major construction activity.

The NRC staff published its final supplemental environmental impact statement (FSEIS) for IP2 and IP3 in December 2010. Subsequent to publishing the FSEIS, the NRC staff identified new information that necessitated changes to its assessments in the FSEIS. This new information is derived from the following:

- Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy) provided comments on the FSEIS that included new information on the entrainment and impingement field data units of measure, and
- Entergy completed and submitted to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation a new study that characterizes the IP2 and IP3 thermal plume.

Updated information is also provided in the enclosed draft supplement regarding the NRC's consultations with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) concerning shortnose and Atlantic Sturgeon at IP1 and IP3.

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We are requesting your comments on this draft supplement. Please note that the period for public comment on the draft supplement expires August 20, 2012. If you have any questions regarding this supplement or the staff's request, please contact Mr. Michael Wentzel, Environmental Project Manager, at 301-415-6459 or by e-mail at michael.wentzel@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. J. Wrona", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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