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June 5, 2013

Mr. Thomas Joyce  
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SUBJECT: SALEM NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2 – REQUEST FOR  
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RE: DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING STATUS  
REPORT (TAC NOS. MF1284 AND MF1285)


Dear Mr. Joyce:

By letter dated March 26, 2013,<sup>1</sup> PSEG Nuclear LLC (the licensee), submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the 2013 Decommissioning Funding Status (DFS) report for Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, as required under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Section 50.75, "Reporting and recordkeeping for decommissioning planning," Paragraph (f)(1). The NRC staff has reviewed the submittal by the licensee and has determined that additional information is required, as provided in the enclosure, in order to complete its review.

The draft questions were sent to Ms. Emily Bauer of your staff, to ensure that the questions were understandable, the regulatory basis for the questions was clear, and to determine if the information was previously docketed. On June 3, 2013, Ms. Bauer indicated that the licensee will submit a response by July 5, 2013.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-3204 or via e-mail at [John.Hughey@nrc.gov](mailto:John.Hughey@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

  
for  
John D. Hughey, Project Manager  
Plant Licensing Branch I-2  
Division of Operating Reactor Licensing  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-272 and 50-311

Enclosure:  
Request for Additional Information

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION  
2013 DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING STATUS REPORT  
PSEG NUCLEAR, LLC  
SALEM NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2  
DOCKET NUMBERS 50-272 AND 50-311

By letter dated March 26, 2013,<sup>1</sup> PSEG Nuclear LLC, submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the 2013 Decommissioning Funding Status (DFS) report for Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2 (Salem 1 and Salem 2) as required under Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) Section 50.75, "Reporting and recordkeeping for decommissioning planning," Paragraph (f)(1). The NRC staff has reviewed the information provided in the submittal and determined that the following additional information is required in order to complete its review.

**Reporting Requirements**

Per 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1), licensees must identify "the amount accumulated to the end of the calendar year preceding the date of the report." This actual amount is dedicated for NRC decommissioning activities as defined in 10 CFR 50.2.

RAI 1 Indicate what portion of the accumulated fund balances are for radiological decommissioning activities only. Specify if any of the \$293,004,000 for Salem 1 and \$267,875,000 for Salem 2 is for non-radiological decommissioning costs such as spent fuel management or other non-radiological decommissioning activities.

**Amounts accumulated**

On March 26, 2013, PSEG Nuclear LLC reported the amounts of decommissioning funds accumulated as of December 31, 2012, for Salem 1 and Salem 2, but did not indicate if the amounts stated were the before or after-tax balances.

The provisions of 10 CFR 50.75(f)(1) and (2) require the licensee to report the amount of funds accumulated to the end of the calendar year preceding the report.

RAI 2 Indicate if the amount of decommissioning funds identified in the March 26, 2013, submittals of PSEG Nuclear LLC DFS report are for the after-tax amounts of decommissioning funds accumulated through December 31, 2012. If not, please provide the after-tax amounts of decommissioning funds accumulated through December 31, 2012, for both Salem 1 and Salem 2.

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