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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENT FOR COMBINED LICENSES FOR TURKEY POINT NUCLEAR
PLANT, UNITS 6 AND 7

Dear Mr. Nazar:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed NUREG-2176, "Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Combined Licenses (COL) for Turkey Point Nuclear Plant, Units 6 and 7." The draft environmental impact statement (EIS) focuses on the impacts of constructing and operating two new nuclear units at the Turkey Point site. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Jacksonville District, and the National Park Service (NPS) are cooperating agencies on the draft EIS. The NPS does not have any specific regulatory actions pending before it in regard to the proposed Units 6 and 7 at this time. As a cooperating agency, the NPS did provide input into the NRC impact analysis based on its special expertise. However, impact determinations made in this EIS should not be attributed to NPS, but only to the NRC and USACE (also referred to as the "review team"). The NPS's participation in preparing this EIS was primarily centered on data gathering and information sharing regarding the environment in and around the Biscayne and Everglades National Parks, and does not imply NPS concurrence.

Enclosed is a copy of the draft EIS and the associated *Federal Register* Notice of Availability. This notice advises the public that the draft EIS is available to the public from the Publicly Available Records component of NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> which provides access through the NRC's Electronic Reading Room link. The accession numbers in ADAMS for the draft EIS Volumes 1 and 2 are ML15055A103 and ML15055A109, respectively. The draft EIS can also be found at the NRC's Turkey Point COL application specific webpage at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/col/TurkeyPoint.html>. In addition, the following two public libraries have agreed to make the draft EIS available for public inspection: the Homestead Branch Library, located at 700 North Homestead Boulevard, Homestead, Florida; and the South Dade Regional Library, located at 10750 SW 211th Street, Miami, Florida.

In April 2015, the NRC and USACE plan to hold public meetings in the Homestead, Florida area to present the analysis and results of the draft EIS. A separate meeting notice will be issued as soon as the meeting dates are set. The meetings will be transcribed and will include: (1) a presentation of the contents of the draft EIS and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to provide comments on the draft report. Additionally, the NRC staff will host informal discussions one hour before the start of the meeting during

which time members of the public may meet and talk with NRC and USACE staff members on an informal basis.

As discussed in Section 10.7 of the draft EIS, the NRC staff's preliminary recommendation is that the COLs for Turkey Point Units 6 and 7 should be issued. This preliminary recommendation is based on: (1) the ER submitted by FPL; (2) consultation with Federal, State, Tribal, and local agencies; (3) the review team's own independent review; (4) the staff's consideration of public scoping comments; and (5) the assessments summarized in the draft EIS, including the potential mitigation measures identified. The NRC's determination is independent of the USACE's permit decision, which will be documented in the USACE's Record of Decision.

A separate notice of filing of the draft EIS will be placed in the *Federal Register* through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, which starts the 75-day public comment period. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the NRC Environmental Project Manager, Ms. Alicia Williamson, at 301-415-1878, or by e-mail at Alicia.Williamson@nrc.gov.

Sincerely,

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