UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

Before Administrative Judges:

Paul S. Ryerson, Chairman Dr. Michael F. Kennedy Dr. Richard E. Wardwell

In the Matter of

ENTERGY NUCLEAR VERMONT YANKEE, LLC, AND ENTERGY NUCLEAR OPERATIONS, INC.

(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station)

Docket No. 50-271-LA-2

ASLBP No. 15-937-02-LA-BD01

April 1, 2015

NOTICE AND ORDER

(Scheduling and Providing Instructions for Oral Argument)

Before the Board is a request for a hearing and petition to intervene submitted by the

Vermont Department of Public Service on behalf of the State of Vermont.¹ The Board will hear

telephonic oral argument concerning contention admissibility on Wednesday, April 8, 2015,

beginning at 9:00 a.m. EDT.

The Board expects that argument will consist primarily of responses to the Board's

questions. Although the parties should be prepared to answer questions relating to all matters

in their pleadings, in particular they should anticipate addressing whether Contention 2 is

admissible regardless of whether the Commission reconsiders Entergy's exemption request.²

¹ State of Vermont's Petition for Leave to Intervene, and Hearing Request (Feb. 9, 2015); <u>see</u> <u>also</u> Entergy's Answer Opposing Petition for Leave to Intervene and Hearing Request (Mar. 6, 2015); NRC Staff's Answer to State of Vermont's Petition for Leave to Intervene and Hearing Request (Mar. 6, 2015).

² <u>See</u> The State of Vermont's Reply to NRC Staff and Entergy Answers to Petition for Leave to Intervene and Hearing Request at 7 (Mar. 17, 2015).

The Board's law clerk, Nicole Pepperl, will contact the parties with the dial-in number and passcode for the oral argument. Members of the public or media who wish to listen to the conference may do so, and should contact Ms. Pepperl at (301) 415-6626 for the listen-in number or with any questions.

It is so ORDERED.

FOR THE ATOMIC SAFETY AND LICENSING BOARD

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Paul S. Ryerson, Chairman ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

Rockville, Maryland April 1, 2015

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 1st day of April, 2015