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NRC Licensing Board to Hear Oral Argument On Indian Point License Amendment Request July 30 in Rockville, Md

A Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will hear oral argument Thursday, July 30, in Rockville, Md., concerning a challenge to a proposed license amendment for Unit 2 of the Indian Point nuclear power plant in Buchanan, N.Y. The Board is the independent body within the NRC that conducts adjudicatory hearings and renders decisions on legal challenges to licensing actions.

The session will start at 1 p.m. in the Board's hearing room on the third floor of the NRC's Two White Flint North building, 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville. The oral argument will address the admissibility of contentions filed by the state of New York. The state contends the plant owner, Entergy, failed to meet several legal requirements in requesting a schedule change for testing Unit 2's containment structure.

Members of the public and media can observe the session, but participation will be limited to lawyers for New York, Entergy, and the NRC staff. Those planning to attend the oral argument should arrive at least 15 minutes early to allow time for security screening, including searches of hand-carried items such as briefcases or backpacks. No signs will be permitted in the hearing room.