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NRC Seeks Public Comment on Draft Supplement to Environmental Study of LaSalle Nuclear Plant License Renewal

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission seeks public comment on a draft report on the environmental impacts of renewing the operating license of the LaSalle nuclear power plant in Illinois. The draft report contains the NRC staff's preliminary conclusion that the environmental impacts would not preclude renewing the license for an additional 20 years of operation.

NRC staff will hold a public meeting on March 22, from 7-9 p.m., in Ottawa, Ill., to present the draft report's findings and accept public comment. The meeting will be at the LaSalle County Emergency Operations Center, 711 E. Etna Rd.

LaSalle County Station, located 11 miles southeast of Ottawa, has two boiling-water reactors. The operator, Exelon Generation Co. Inc., submitted the renewal application on December 9, 2014.

The NRC's review of the application consists of a technical safety review and the environmental review. The draft supplemental impact statement is supplement 57 to NUREG-1437, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants. It is now available on the [NRC's website](#).

In a related [Federal Register notice](#) published on Feb. 11, the NRC provided detailed instructions on how to submit written comments on the draft supplemental environmental impact statement. Comments will be accepted through April 4.

The [LaSalle license renewal application](#) and general information about [reactor license renewal](#) are available on the NRC website.