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General Comment

I live in Redland on a FRESH WATER well. Redland is the farm area west of Turkey Point, farms irrigated by FRESH WATER wells.

At the Nuclear Regulatory Commission hearing I attended May 31 in Homestead, FPL's Turkey Point cooling canals were described by one speaker as a "toxic soup."

Members of several non-profit water protecting coalitions testified to the failure of the old cooling canal system. They presented evidence of seepage into Biscayne Bay, and salt water intrusion westward into fresh water well fields.

Several speakers mentioned one solution currently available to FPL, to switch to cooling towers, a "closed loop system" which could eliminate Turkey Point's ongoing pollution problems.

Questions arose as to why FPL has not resolved the problems after their contaminating flaws were exposed. If FPL had the same level of competition as cell phone technology, we wouldn't be in this critical predicament.

But, as a monopoly, FPL can afford to boast profits to their shareholders, while neglecting their responsibility to area residents and the health of our fragile bay and beyond.

FPL has brazenly requested a 20 year extension to a current operating license that does not expire until 2032 !

Can we afford to allow FPL to continue to pollute to 2052 ? ... to continue the pollution now ?
Their extension request should be denied by the NRC until they resolve their current crisis.