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NRC Seeks Public Comment on Draft Environmental Impact Statement for North Anna Subsequent License Renewal

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff wants to hear the public's views on the agency's <u>Draft Environmental Impact Statement</u> regarding Dominion Energy Virginia's application for an additional 20 years of operation of the North Anna Power Station Units 1 and 2. The NRC is interested in comments on the statement's draft conclusion: environmental impacts are not great enough to prevent the agency from considering issuance of the renewed licenses.

NRC staff will consider written comments on the draft EIS until Oct. 12, as stated in the published <u>notice</u> in the Federal Register. Include Docket ID NRC-2020–0234 with your comment, via the <u>regulations.gov</u> website. Comments can also be submitted via email to <u>NorthAnnaEnvironmental@nrc.gov</u> or via mail to Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWFN-7-A60M, ATTN: Program Management, Announcements and Editing Staff, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

The staff will hold a webinar on the draft EIS in September, including a presentation on the preliminary findings and a transcribed public comment session. The webinar details will be announced in the near future and will be posted on the NRC's public meetings schedule webpage at https://www.nrc.gov/pmns/mtg.

Dominion submitted the subsequent license renewal application on Aug. 24, 2020, for the North Anna units, located approximately 40 miles northwest of Richmond. The <u>subsequent license renewal process</u> determines whether an operating reactor can extend its license for an additional 20 years (initial license renewals add 20 years to a reactor's original 40-year license). The <u>application</u>, with proprietary details removed, is available on the NRC website. In addition, a copy of the application and draft EIS is available for public inspection at the Louisa County Library, 881 Davis Hwy in Mineral, Virginia.