June 17, 2002

APPLICANT: Virginia Electric and Power Company

FACILITY: Surry Power Station, Units 1 and 2

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD TO DISCUSS THE DRAFT

SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REGARDING LICENSE RENEWAL FOR THE SURRY POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

On Wednesday, May 29, 2002, members of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff held public meetings in Surry, Virginia, to discuss the staff's draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) regarding license renewal for the Surry Power Station (Surry), Units 1 and 2. The staff prepared the draft SEIS in response to the application submitted by Virginia Electric and Power Company (VEPCo) for renewal of the operating licenses for Surry Units 1 and 2. Afternoon and evening sessions were held to allow maximum public participation. Formal presentations were made by John Tappert, Omid Tabatabai, and Andrew Kugler of the NRC staff, and Eva Hickey of Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, working under contract to the NRC.

Attachment 1 is a summary of the public comments from the afternoon meeting. The court reporter was not present and so there is no transcript. The summary was prepared using notes taken by the NRC staff during the meeting. Attachment 2 is a corrected transcript for the evening meeting, at which the court reporter was present. Attachment 3 is a copy of the presentation slides. Attachment 4 is a list of attendees for both the afternoon and evening sessions.

The purpose of the meetings was to provide the public with a summary of the NRC staff's findings in the draft SEIS and give them an opportunity to provide comments on the draft. The SEIS is a Surry plant-specific supplement to the "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants" (NUREG-1437). Each meeting was preceded by a 1-hour "open house" to allow members of the public to talk to the staff in a less formal setting.

The staff presentations in the meetings outlined the overall license renewal process, provided a description of the National Environmental Policy Act review process, summarized the results of the staff's review (as documented in the SEIS), and gave information concerning the means available to the public to submit comments. The comment period on the draft SEIS runs until July 12, 2002.

After the formal presentations given by the NRC staff, members of the public were invited to provide comments. Officials from VEPCo were also given the opportunity to address the audience and provide comments focusing on the environmental report that was submitted as part of the license renewal application and on VEPCo's evaluation of the results of the NRC staff's review. Approximately 40 people attended the two sessions with 11 persons making

comments. Attendees included representatives of the NRC; VEPCo and nuclear industry; local government officials; the press; and other members of the public.

The NRC staff will review the comments that were made at the meetings, along with any other comments submitted to the NRC during the comment period. The staff will then revise the SEIS, as appropriate, and issue the final version by December 2002.

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SUMMARY OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION OF THE PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE DRAFT SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR LICENSE RENEWAL FOR SURRY POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

The court reporter was not available for the afternoon session. Because no other means to record the meeting could be found, there is no transcript. The following summary of comments made by members of the public is based on notes taken by the NRC staff during the meeting.

1. Hon. Fred Quayle, Virginia State Senate

- The Surry plant has a good safety record and the operators are well trained
- The plant has both environmental and socioeconomic impacts on the area
- Dominion is environmentally responsible, using technology to protect environmental resources
- Dominion placed the cooling water discharge upstream of the intake to protect oyster beds
- Dominion was among the first companies to establish a permanent environmental group
- The plant is operated within the bounds of its permits
- Bald eagles nest near the site
- Dominion developed and patented an intake screen design to protect fish
- Surry supplies 15 percent of the power used in Virginia at low cost
- The plant pays \$10.94 million in taxes to the county, and employs about 850 people at an average salary of \$56,400, much of which feeds back into the local economy
- Surry's record argues for continued operations
- I support license renewal and am encouraged by the NRC's draft report

2. Hon. William K. Barlow, Virginia House of Delegates

- I support license renewal for Surry
- My wife and her sister grew up near the plant; my wife remains brilliant and beautiful
- The area is proud to be producing 15 percent of the power used in Virginia
- Dominion is a good corporate citizen conscientious and careful
- Dominion has done an outstanding job; there were some problems early in the life of the plant, but things are much better now
- There are three aspects of plant operation related to the operation of the plant that I want to talk about air, water, and land.
- With respect to air, nuclear is an emissions-free method of power generation compared to fossil fuels; some places (e.g., California) didn't want nuclear plants and they are now paying the price
- For the water resources, Dominion has worked hard to protect them
- And on the land, the Hog Island Wildlife Management Area coexists well with its neighbor with no problems
- Public safety is certainly very important to the residents and to Dominion; the plant was carefully designed and training and drills make sure the operators are ready
- I hope that the NRC will grant this license extension

3. Terry D. Lewis, Surry County Administrator

- This plant is very important to Surry County
- Since 9/11 there has been heightened concern about the safety of the plant; I have received a number of calls about this issue and I have able to tell them that the plant is safe.
- Dominion focuses on safety; they've had heightened security since 9/11, and I believe the plant is operated safely; they also have an impressive training program
- There are good communications between the plant and the public and local government. The plant is run safely and any problems are quickly communicated to me.
- The plant is the largest employer in Surry County and one of the largest in the surrounding area; the jobs are high-paying, with many of the employees commuting into the County; so the benefits are spread around the area
- The plant pays about \$10 million to the county, compared to the county operating budget of about \$25 million; this is good for the county, particularly the school system, which ranks among the highest in the state in terms of the amount of money spent on each student; and they rank high even compared to northern Virginia where the average household incomes are much higher
- The plant and its employees also purchase locally, adding to the local economy
- My only concern would be with decommissioning the plant; it would have a major impact in terms of lost income and lost jobs; also the County would have to pay to maintain the facility
- I think it is important to keep this plant running
- 4. M. Laverne Daniels, Superintendent of Schools, Surry County
 - Ms. Daniels provided a written statement (attached)
- 5. Judy S. Lyttle, Surry County Board of Supervisors
 - VEPCo has been a good neighbor and we appreciate the income from the plant and the services that allows us to provide
 - VEPCo contributes to the community in many ways, for example they provided speakers for the counties 350th anniversary activities; the employees help out in the community in many ways
 - The plant is safe, the citizens feel comfortable with it, and we don't want to see them leave
- 6. Toby Sowers, Director, Surry Power Station Operations and Maintenance

The speaker provided a written copy of his remarks (attached).

7. Jud White, Dominion Department of Environmental Policy and Compliance

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