NRC Seeks Public Comment on Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Turkey Point Subsequent License Renewal

Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will meet in Homestead, Fla., on May 1 to discuss the agency’s Draft Environmental Impact Statement on Florida Power & Light’s Subsequent License Renewal application for Turkey Point Nuclear Generating Units 3 and 4. In its application, FP&L is seeking an additional 20 years of operation.

The NRC is interested in the public’s views on the draft conclusion that environmental issues would be minor ones, allowing the agency to issue the renewed license.

The meetings will be held at the Homestead City Hall, 100 Civic Court, in Homestead, from 1-3 p.m., and 6-8 p.m. Staff presentations will describe the environmental review process and the draft findings. Each meeting’s presentations will be followed by a formal public comment period. The NRC has scheduled open-house events from noon-1 p.m., and 5-6 p.m., enabling members of the public to speak informally with agency staff.

To register in advance to comment at the meetings, or to identify an individual’s special needs for attending or presenting information at the meetings, contact William Burton at 800-368-5642 x6332 or at william.burton@nrc.gov by April 23. Requests to speak on the day of the meetings require registration no later than 12:45 p.m., and 5:45 p.m., respectively. Individual comments could be limited as determined by the time available and the number of speakers.

NRC staff will also consider written comments on the draft EIS until May 20, following the publication of a notice in the Federal Register. Include Docket ID NRC-2018-0101 with the comment via the regulations.gov website.

FP&L submitted the Turkey Point subsequent license renewal application on Jan. 30, 2018. The subsequent license renewal process 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 application, less proprietary details, is available on the NRC website. In addition, the following libraries will maintain a copy of the application’s draft EIS for public inspection: Homestead Branch Library at 700 N. Homestead Blvd., in Homestead; Naranja Branch Library at 14850 SW 280th St., in Homestead; South Dade Regional Library at 10750 SW 211th St., in Miami; and Miami-Dade Main Library at 101 W. Flagler St., in Miami.