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NRC Seeks Comments on Draft Environmental Assessment for Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Facility License Renewal

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is seeking public comment regarding a draft [Environmental Assessment](#) and a draft finding of no significant impact concerning the proposed renewal of the operating license for the Westinghouse Columbia Fuel Fabrication Facility.

The NRC staff has scheduled a Nov. 14 public meeting in Columbia to present the findings and receive public comments. The meeting is scheduled to be held in the Medallion Conference Center, 7309 Garners Ferry Road, Columbia, S.C. from 5:30-8 p.m.

Attendees wanting to speak at the meeting will be given 3-5 minutes, depending on the number of people expecting to participate. Pre-registration to present oral comments is available by contacting Antoinette Walker-Smith at 301-415-6957 or by email at Antoinette.Walker-Smith@nrc.gov.

In June 2018, the NRC published a final Environmental Assessment, documenting the environmental impacts of continued operation of the Westinghouse plant for an additional 40 years. An equipment leak in July 2018 and new information regarding a past leak from a buried pipe, coupled with community concerns, led the NRC staff to re-open the review and issue the new assessment.

Comments will be accepted at the meeting, and written comments may be submitted through Nov. 27 through the [federal rulemaking web site](#), Docket ID NRC-2015-0039, or by mail at Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWFN-7-A60M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, ATTN: Program Management, Announcements and Editing Staff, or by e-mail to WEC-CFFF-EA@nrc.gov.