

*Date of Issuance:* February 26, 2009.

*Effective Date:* February 26, 2009.

*Amendment No.:* 230.

*Facility Operating License No. NPF-22:* This amendment revised the License and Technical Specifications.

*Date of Initial Notice in Federal*

**Register:** January 23, 2009 (74 FR 4254). The supplements dated November 21, 2008, and January 23, 2009, provided additional information that clarified the application, did not expand the scope of the application as originally noticed, and did not change the staff's original proposed no significant hazards consideration determination as published in the **Federal Register** on January 23, 2009 (74 FR 4254).

The Commission's related evaluation of the amendment is contained in a Safety Evaluation dated February 26, 2009.

*No Significant Hazards Consideration Comments Received:* No.

*PSEG Nuclear LLC, Docket No. 50-354, Hope Creek Generating Station, Salem County, New Jersey*

*Date of Application for Amendment:* April 25, 2008, as supplemented by letter dated January 7, 2009.

*Brief Description of Amendment:* The amendment revises the Technical Specifications (TSs) to remove the restriction on operation of the hydrogen water chemistry system at low power levels.

*Date of Issuance:* March 4, 2009.

*Effective Date:* As of the date of issuance, to be implemented within 30 days.

*Amendment No.:* 176.

*Facility Operating License No. NPF-57:* The amendment revised the TSs and the License.

*Date of Initial Notice in Federal*

**Register:** July 29, 2008 (73 FR 43957). The letter dated January 7, 2009, provided clarifying information that did not change the initial proposed no significant hazards consideration determination or expand the application beyond the scope of the original **Federal Register** notice.

The Commission's related evaluation of the amendment is contained in a Safety Evaluation dated March 4, 2009.

*No Significant Hazards Consideration Comments Received:* No.

*Tennessee Valley Authority, Docket No. 50-390, Watts Bar Nuclear Plant, Unit 1, Rhea County, Tennessee*

*Date of Application for Amendment:* September 18, 2008, as supplemented February 11, 2009.

*Brief Description of Amendment:* The amendment revised requirements for the

auxiliary feedwater system auto-start function associated with the trip of main feedwater pumps.

*Date of Issuance:* March 4, 2009.

*Effective Date:* As of the date of issuance and shall be implemented within 270 days of issuance.

*Amendment No.:* 75.

*Facility Operating License No. NPF-90:* Amendment revises the Technical Specifications.

*Date of Initial Notice in Federal*

**Register:** November 4, 2008 (73 FR 65698). The supplement dated February 11, 2009, provided additional information that clarified the application, did not expand the scope of the application as originally noticed, and did not change the staff's original proposed no significant hazards consideration determination as published in **Federal Register**.

The Commission's related evaluation of the amendment is contained in a Safety Evaluation dated March 4, 2009.

*No Significant Hazards Consideration Comments Received:* No.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of March 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Joseph G. Gitter,**

*Director, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-331; NRC-2008-0618]

### FPL Energy Duane Arnold, LLC; Duane Arnold Energy Center; Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Conduct Scoping Process

FPL Energy Duane Arnold, LLC has submitted an application for renewal of Facility Operating License No. DPR-49 for an additional 20 years of operation at Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC). DAEC is located near Cedar Rapids, IA. The operating license for DAEC expires on February 21, 2014. The application for renewal, dated September 30, 2008, was submitted pursuant to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR) Part 54. A notice of receipt and availability of the application, which included the environmental report (ER), was published in the **Federal Register** on November 17, 2008 (73 FR 67895). A notice of acceptance for docketing of the application for renewal of the facility operating license was also published in the **Federal Register** on February 17,

2009 (74 FR 7489). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will be preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) related to the license renewal application and to provide the public with an opportunity to participate in the environmental scoping process, as defined in 10 CFR 51.29. In addition, as outlined in 36 CFR 800.8, "Coordination with the National Environmental Policy Act," the NRC plans to coordinate compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act in meeting the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

In accordance with 10 CFR 51.53(c) and 10 CFR 54.23, FPL Energy Duane Arnold, LLC submitted the ER as part of the application. The ER was prepared pursuant to 10 CFR Part 51 and is publicly available at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). The ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room is accessible at <http://adamswebsearch.nrc.gov/dologin.htm>. The Accession Number for the ER is ML082980483. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC's PDR reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail at [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). The ER may also be viewed on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications/duane-arnold-energy-center.html>. In addition, the ER is available for public inspection near DAEC at the following public library: Hiawatha Public Library, 150 West Willman Street, Hiawatha, Iowa.

This notice advises the public that the NRC intends to gather the information necessary to prepare a plant-specific supplement to the Commission's "Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants" (NUREG-1437), related to the review of the application for renewal of the DAEC operating license for an additional 20 years. Possible alternatives to the proposed action (license renewal) include no action and reasonable alternative energy sources. The NRC is required by 10 CFR 51.95 to prepare a supplement to the GEIS in connection with the renewal of an operating license. This notice is being published in accordance with NEPA and the NRC's regulations found in 10 CFR Part 51.

The NRC will first conduct a scoping process for the supplement to the GEIS and, as soon as practicable thereafter, will prepare a draft supplement to the GEIS for public comment. Participation in the scoping process by members of the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal Government agencies is encouraged. The scoping process for the supplement to the GEIS will be used to accomplish the following:

a. Define the proposed action which is to be the subject of the supplement to the GEIS.

b. Determine the scope of the supplement to the GEIS and identify the significant issues to be analyzed in depth.

c. Identify and eliminate from detailed study those issues that are peripheral or that are not significant.

d. Identify any environmental assessments and other EISs that are being or will be prepared that are related to, but are not part of, the scope of the supplement to the GEIS being considered.

e. Identify other environmental review and consultation requirements related to the proposed action.

f. Indicate the relationship between the timing of the preparation of the environmental analyses and the Commission's tentative planning and decision-making schedule.

g. Identify any cooperating agencies and, as appropriate, allocate assignments for preparation and schedules for completing the supplement to the GEIS to the NRC and any cooperating agencies.

h. Describe how the supplement to the GEIS will be prepared, and include any contractor assistance to be used.

The NRC invites the following entities to participate in scoping:

a. The applicant, FPL Energy Duane Arnold, LLC.

b. Any Federal agency that has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved, or that is authorized to develop and enforce relevant environmental standards.

c. Affected State and local government agencies, including those authorized to develop and enforce relevant environmental standards.

d. Any affected Indian Tribe.

e. Any person who requests or has requested an opportunity to participate in the scoping process.

f. Any person who has petitioned or intends to petition for leave to intervene.

In accordance with 10 CFR 51.26, the scoping process for an EIS may include a public scoping meeting to help identify significant issues related to a

proposed activity and to determine the scope of issues to be addressed in an EIS. The NRC has decided to hold public meetings for the DAEC license renewal supplement to the GEIS. The scoping meetings will be held at the Hiawatha City Hall, 101 Emmons St., Hiawatha Iowa 52233. There will be two sessions to accommodate interested parties, which will be held on April 22, 2009. The first session will convene at 1:30 p.m. and will continue until 4:30 p.m., as necessary. The second session will convene at 7 p.m. with a repeat of the overview portions of the meeting and will continue until 10 p.m., as necessary. Both meetings will be transcribed and will include: (1) An overview by the NRC staff of the NEPA environmental review process, the proposed scope of the supplement to the GEIS, and the proposed review schedule; and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, organizations, and individuals to submit comments or suggestions on the environmental issues or the proposed scope of the supplement to the GEIS. Additionally, the NRC staff will host informal discussions one hour prior to the start of each session at the same location. No formal comments on the proposed scope of the supplement to the GEIS will be accepted during the informal discussions. To be considered, comments must be provided either at the transcribed public meetings or in writing, as discussed below. Persons may register to attend or present oral comments at the meetings on the scope of the NEPA review by contacting the NRC Environmental Project Manager, Mr. Charles H. Eccleston, by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 8537, or by e-mail to the NRC at [charles.eccleston@nrc.gov](mailto:charles.eccleston@nrc.gov) no later than April 15, 2009. Members of the public may also register to speak at the meeting within 15 minutes of the start of each session. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. Members of the public who have not registered may also have an opportunity to speak, if time permits. Public comments will be considered in the scoping process for the supplement to the GEIS. Mr. Eccleston will need to be contacted no later than April 15, 2009, if special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

Members of the public may send written comments on the environmental scope of the DAEC license renewal

review to: Chief, Rulemaking, Directives and Editing Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Office of Administration, Mailstop TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555-0001, and should cite the publication date and page number of this **Federal Register** notice. Comments may also be delivered to the NRC, Room T-6D59, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. during Federal workdays. To be considered in the scoping process, written comments should be postmarked by May 25, 2009. Electronic comments may be sent by e-mail to the NRC at [DuaneArnoldEIS@nrc.gov](mailto:DuaneArnoldEIS@nrc.gov), and should be sent no later than May 25, 2009, to be considered in the scoping process. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher 301-492-3668; e-mail [carol.gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:carol.gallagher@nrc.gov). Comments will be available electronically and accessible through ADAMS at <http://adamswebsearch.nrc.gov/dologin.htm>.

Participation in the scoping process for the supplement to the GEIS does not entitle participants to become parties to the proceeding to which the supplement to the GEIS relates. Notice of opportunity for a hearing regarding the renewal application is included in the **Federal Register** dated February 17, 2009 (74 FR 7489). Matters related to participation in any hearing are outside the scope of matters to be discussed at this public meeting.

At the conclusion of the scoping process, the NRC will prepare a concise summary of the determination and conclusions reached including the significant issues identified, and will send a copy of the summary to each participant in the scoping process. The summary will also be available for inspection in ADAMS at <http://adamswebsearch.nrc.gov/dologin.htm>. The staff will then prepare and issue for comment the draft supplement to the GEIS, which will be the subject of separate notices and separate public meetings. Copies will be available for public inspection at the above-mentioned addresses, and one copy per request will be provided free of charge. After receipt and consideration of the comments, the NRC will prepare a final supplement to the GEIS, which will also be available for public inspection.

Information about the proposed action, the supplement to the GEIS, and the scoping process may be obtained from Mr. Eccleston at the aforementioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13th day of March, 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**David L. Pelton,**

*Branch Chief, Project Branch 1, Division of License Renewal, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2008-0385]

### Notice of Issuance of Regulatory Guide

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of Issuance and Availability of Regulatory Guide 1.125, Revision 2.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Orr, Regulatory Guide Development Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 251-7495 or e-mail to [Mark.Orr@nrc.gov](mailto:Mark.Orr@nrc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Introduction

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing a revision to an existing guide in the agency's "Regulatory Guide" series. This series was developed to describe and make available to the public information such as methods that are acceptable to the NRC staff for implementing specific parts of the agency's regulations, techniques that the staff uses in evaluating specific problems or postulated accidents, and data that the staff needs in its review of applications for permits and licenses.

Revision 2 of Regulatory Guide 1.125, "Physical Models for Design, and Operation of Hydraulic Structures and Systems for Nuclear Power Plants," was issued with a temporary identification as Draft Regulatory Guide, DG-1198. This guide describes the detail and documentation of data and studies that an applicant should include in the preliminary and/or final safety analysis report (PSAR/FSAR) to support the use of physical hydraulic model testing for predicting the performance of hydraulic structures and systems for nuclear power plants. Hydraulic structures are defined as anything that can be used to divert, restrict, stop, or otherwise manage the natural flow of water. The regulatory position of this guide is applicable only to physical models used to predict the action or interaction of

surface waters with features located outside the containment. The recommendations of this guide do not apply to internal plant systems or structures.

##### II. Further Information

In July 2008, DG-1198 was published with a public comment period of 60 days from the issuance of the guide. The public comment period closed on September 5, 2008. The staff's responses to the public comments are located in the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS), Accession Number ML082810214.

Electronic copies of Regulatory Guide 1.125, Revision 2 are available through the NRC's public Web site under "Regulatory Guides" at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/>. In addition, regulatory guides are available for inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), which is located at Room O-1F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852-2738. The PDR's mailing address is USNRC PDR, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The PDR can also be reached by telephone at (301) 415-4737 or (800) 397-4209, by fax at (301) 415-3548, and by e-mail to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 16th day of March, 2009.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Andrea D. Valentin,**

*Chief, Regulatory Guide Development Branch, Division of Engineering, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Sunshine Federal Register Notice

**DATE:** Weeks of March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 2009.

**PLACE:** Commissioners' Conference Room, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Public and Closed.

#### Week of March 23, 2009

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 23, 2009.

#### Week of March 30, 2009—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of March 30, 2009.

#### Week of April 6, 2009—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 6, 2009.

#### Week of April 13, 2009—Tentative

*Wednesday, April 15, 2009*

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on NRC Corporate Support (Public Meeting). (*Contact:* Karen Olive, 301-415-2276)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

*Thursday, April 16, 2009*

1:30 p.m.

Briefing on Human Capital and EEO (Public Meeting) (*Contact:* Kristin Davis, 301-492-2266)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

*Friday, April 17, 2009*

9:30 a.m.

Briefing on Low Level Radioactive Waste—Part 1 (Public Meeting) (*Contact:* Patricia Swain, 301-415-5405)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

*Friday, April 17, 2009*

1:30 p.m.

Briefing on Low Level Radioactive Waste—Part 2 (Public Meeting) (*Contact:* Patricia Swain, 301-415-5405)

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

#### Week of April 20, 2009—Tentative

*Thursday, April 23, 2009*

2:00 p.m.

Briefing on Radioactive Source Security (Public Meeting) (*Contact:* Kim Lukes, 301-415-6701).

This meeting will be webcast live at the Web address—<http://www.nrc.gov>.

#### Week of April 27, 2009—Tentative

There are no meetings scheduled for the week of April 27, 2009.

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\*The schedule for Commission meetings is subject to change on short notice. To verify the status of meetings, call (recording)—(301) 415-1292. Contact person for more information: Rochelle Baval, (301) 415-1651.

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The NRC Commission Meeting Schedule can be found on the Internet at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/policy-making/schedule.html>.

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