site-help/e-submittals/apply-certificates.html.

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A person filing electronically may seek assistance through the "Contact Us" link located on the NRC Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/site-help/e-submittals.html or by calling the NRC technical help line, which is available between 8:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday. The help line number is (800) 397–4209 or locally, (301) 415–4737.

Participants who believe that they have a good cause for not submitting documents electronically must file a motion, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.302(g), with their initial paper filing requesting authorization to continue to submit documents in paper format. Such filings must be submitted by: (1) First-class mail addressed to the Office of the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff; or (2) courier, express mail, or expedited delivery service to the Office of the Secretary, Sixteenth Floor, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852, Attention: Rulemaking and Adjudications Staff. Participants filing a document in this manner are responsible for serving the

document on all other participants. Filing is considered complete by first-class mail as of the time of deposit in the mail, or by courier, express mail, or expedited delivery service upon depositing the document with the provider of the service.

Non-timely requests and/or petitions and contentions will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer, or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition and/or request should be granted and/or the contentions should be admitted based on a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.309(c)(1)(i)—(viii). To be timely, filings must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time on the due date.

Documents submitted in adjudicatory proceedings will appear in NRC's electronic hearing docket which is available to the public at http:// ehd.nrc.gov/EHD_Proceeding/home.asp, unless excluded pursuant to an Order of the Commission, an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, or a Presiding Officer. Participants are requested not to include personal privacy information, such as social security numbers, home addresses, or home phone numbers in their filings. With respect to copyrighted works, except for limited excerpts that serve the purpose of the adjudicatory filings and would constitute a Fair Use application, participants are requested not to include copyrighted materials in their works.

The Commission will issue a notice or Order granting or denying a hearing request or intervention petition, designating the issues for any hearing that will be held and designating the Presiding Officer. A notice granting a hearing will be published in the **Federal Register** and served on the parties to the hearing.

As an alternative to requests for hearing and petitions to intervene, within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, persons may submit written comments regarding the license transfer application, as provided for in 10 CFR 2.1305. The Commission will consider and, if appropriate, respond to these comments, but such comments will not otherwise constitute part of the decisional record. Comments should be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, and should cite the publication date and page number of this **Federal Register** notice.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application dated July 30, 2007, as supplemented by letter dated

December 5, 2007, available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System's (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/ adams.html. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737 or by e-mail to pdr@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 3rd day of January 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Douglas V. Pickett.**

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-293]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., Entergy Nuclear Generation Company, Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Application Regarding Proposed Corporate Restructuring and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Commission (the Commission) is
considering the issuance of an Order
under 10 CFR 50.80 approving the
indirect transfer of the Facility
Operating License No. DPR-35 for the
Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station currently
held by Entergy Nuclear Generation
Company, as owner and Entergy
Nuclear Operations, Inc. as the licensed
operator of Pilgrim Nuclear Power
Station.

According to an application for approval filed by Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENOI) on behalf of itself and the owners, certain planned corporate restructuring transactions will involve the creation of new intermediary holding companies and/or changes in the intermediary holding companies within the ownership structure for the foregoing licensees. Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. will continue to operate the facility and Entergy Nuclear Generation Company

will continue to own the facility. There will be no direct transfer of the license. However, the corporate restructuring transactions will result in an indirect transfer of control of the license.

No physical changes to the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station or operational changes are being proposed in the

application.

The Board of Directors of Entergy Corporation has proposed that the wholesale nuclear business segment be organized under a publicly owned holding company, referred to as "NewCo," that will be the indirect parent company of Entergy Nuclear Generation Company.

ENOI will be owned by a parent company referred to as ENOI Holdings, LLC, which, in turn, will be owned 50 percent by Entergy Corporation and 50 percent by NewCo. Each of these 50 percent interests will be held by wholly owned subsidiaries of Entergy

Corporation and NewCo.

ENOI will also be converted from a corporation to a limited liability company and its name will be changed to ENOI LLC. Under Delaware law, ENOI LLC will assume all of the rights and responsibilities of ENOI and it will be the same company (legal entity) both before and after the conversion and name change. ENOI will separately submit a request for license amendments to make the administrative changes as a result of ENOI's name change from "Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc." to "ENOI LLC." Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, no license,

or any right thereunder, shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the Commission shall give its consent in writing. The Commission will approve an application for the indirect transfer of a license, if the Commission determines that the proposed corporate restructuring will not affect the qualifications of the licensee to hold the license, and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and Orders issued by the Commission pursuant thereto.

The filing of requests for hearing and petitions for leave to intervene, and written comments with regard to the license transfer application, are discussed below.

Within 20 days from the date of publication of this notice, any person whose interest may be affected by the Commission's action on the application may request a hearing and, if not the applicant, may petition for leave to intervene in a hearing proceeding on the Commission's action. Requests for a

hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be filed in accordance with the Commission's rules of practice set forth in Subpart C, "Rules of General Applicability: Hearing Requests, Petitions to Intervene, Availability of Documents, Selection of Specific Hearing Procedures, Presiding Officer Powers, and General Hearing Management for NRC Adjudicatory Hearings," of 10 CFR Part 2 and the NRC E-Filing rule discussed below. In particular, such requests and petitions must comply with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 2.309. Untimely requests and petitions may be denied, as provided in 10 CFR 2.309(c)(1), unless good cause for failure to file on time is established. In addition, an untimely request or petition should address the factors that the Commission will also consider, in reviewing untimely requests or petitions, set forth in 10 CFR 2.309(c)(1)(I)-(viii).

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the Order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing. A request for hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed in accordance with the NRC E-Filing rule, which the NRC promulgated in August, 2007, 72 FR 49139 (Aug. 28, 2007). The E-Filing process requires participants to submit and serve documents over the internet or in some cases to mail copies on electronic storage media. Participants may not submit paper copies of their filings unless they seek a waiver in accordance with the procedures described below.

To comply with the procedural requirements of E-Filing, at least five (5) days prior to the filing deadline, the petitioner/requestor must contact the Office of the Secretary by e-mail at HEARINGDOCKET@NRC.GOV, or by calling (301) 415-1677, to request (1) a digital ID certificate, which allows the participant (or its counsel or representative) to digitally sign documents and access the E-Submittal server for any proceeding in which it is participating; and/or (2) creation of an electronic docket for the proceeding (even in instances in which the petitioner/requestor (or its counsel or representative) already holds an NRCissued digital ID certificate). Each petitioner/requestor will need to download the Workplace Forms ViewerTM to access the Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), a component of the E-Filing system. The Workplace Forms Viewer TM is free and is available at http://www.nrc.gov/sitehelp/e-submittals/install-viewer.html. Information about applying for a digital

ID certificate is available on NRC's public Web site at http://www.nrc.gov/ site-help/e-submittals/applycertificates.html.

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The Commission will issue a notice or Order granting or denying a hearing request or intervention petition, designating the issues for any hearing that will be held and designating the Presiding Officer. A notice granting a hearing will be published in the **Federal Register** and served on the parties to the hearing.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of January 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Douglas V. Pickett,**

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-271]

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC, Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Application Regarding Proposed Corporate Restructuring and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering the issuance of an Order under 10 CFR 50.80 approving the indirect transfer of the Facility Operating License No. DPR–28 for the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station currently held by Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC, as owner and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., as the licensed operator of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station.

According to an application for approval filed by Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENOI) on behalf of itself and the owners, certain planned corporate restructuring transactions will involve the creation of new intermediary holding companies and/or changes in the intermediary holding companies within the ownership structure for the foregoing licensees.

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., will continue to operate the facility and Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC will continue to own the facility. There will be no direct transfer of the license. However, the corporate restructuring transactions will result in an indirect transfer of control of the license.

No physical changes to the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station or operational changes are being proposed

in the application.

The Board of Directors of Entergy Corporation has proposed that the wholesale nuclear business segment be organized under a publicly owned holding company, referred to as "NewCo," that will be the indirect parent company of Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC.

ENOI will be owned by a parent company referred to as ENOI Holdings, LLC, which, in turn, will be owned 50 percent by Entergy Corporation and 50 percent by NewCo. Each of these 50 percent interests will be held by wholly owned subsidiaries of Entergy Corporation and NewCo.

ENOI will also be converted from a corporation to a limited liability company and its name will be changed to ENOI LLC. Under Delaware law, ENOI LLC will assume all of the rights and responsibilities of ENOI and it will be the same company (legal entity) both before and after the conversion and name change. ENOI will separately submit a request for license amendments to make the administrative changes as a result of ENOI's name change from "Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc." to "ENOI LLC."

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80, no license, or any right thereunder, shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the Commission shall give its consent in writing. The Commission will approve an application for the indirect transfer of a license, if the Commission determines that the proposed corporate restructuring will not affect the qualifications of the licensee to hold the license, and that the transfer is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and Orders issued by the Commission pursuant thereto.

The filing of requests for hearing and petitions for leave to intervene, and written comments with regard to the license transfer application, are discussed below.

Within 20 days from the date of publication of this notice, any person whose interest may be affected by the Commission's action on the application may request a hearing and, if not the