

6. SR-SECY-99-077, Staff Requirements—SECY-99-0077—To Request Commission Approval to Grant Exemptions From Portions of 10 CFR Part 20, April 21, 1999. (ML042750086)

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15th day of January, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Keith I. McConnell,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-373]

### Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Exelon Generation Company, LLC (the licensee), to withdraw its June 18, 2007, application for proposed amendment, as supplemented by letter dated September 7, 2007, to Facility Operating License No. NPF-11, for the LaSalle County Station (LSCS), Unit 1, located in Will County.

The proposed amendment would have revised the facility Technical Specification 5.5.13 pertaining to primary containment leakage rate testing, to reflect a one-time extension of the LSCS, Unit 1 primary containment Type A Integrated Leak Rate Test date from the current requirement of no later than June 13, 2009, to prior to startup

following the thirteenth LSCS refueling outage for Unit 1.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on July 31, 2007 (72 FR 41784). However, by letter dated October 12, 2007, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated June 18, 2007, as supplemented by letter dated September 7, 2007, and the licensee's letter dated October 12, 2007, which withdrew the application for license amendment. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC'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 Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm.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 [pdrc@nrc.gov](mailto:pdrc@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 14th day of January, 2008.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Stephen P. Sands,**

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## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

### January 2008 Pay Adjustments

**AGENCY:** U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The President adjusted the rates of basic pay and locality payments for certain categories of Federal employees effective in January 2008. This notice documents those pay adjustments for the public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carey Johnston, Center for Pay and Leave Administration, Division for Strategic Human Resources Policy, U.S. Office of Personnel Management; (202) 606-2858; FAX (202) 606-0824; or e-mail to [pay-performance-policy@opm.gov](mailto:pay-performance-policy@opm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On January 4, 2008, the President signed Executive Order 13454 (73 FR 1481), which implemented the January 2008 pay adjustments. The President made these adjustments consistent with Public Law 110-161, December 26, 2007, which authorized an overall average pay increase of 3.5 percent for the "statutory pay systems," including the General Schedule (GS).

Schedule 1 of Executive Order 13454 provides the rates for the 2008 General Schedule and reflects a 2.5 percent across-the-board increase. Executive Order 13454 also includes the percentage amounts of the 2008 locality payments. (See Section 5 and Schedule 9 of Executive Order 13454.)

The publication of this notice satisfies the requirement in section 5(b) of Executive Order 13454 that the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) publish appropriate notice of the 2008 locality payments in the **Federal Register**.

GS employees receive locality payments under 5 U.S.C. 5304. Locality payments apply in the continental United States (as defined in 5 CFR 531.602 to include the several States and the District of Columbia, but not Alaska or Hawaii). In 2008, locality payments ranging from 13.18 percent to 32.53 percent apply to GS employees in 32 locality pay areas. (The 2008 locality pay areas definitions can be found at <http://www.opm.gov/oca/08tables/locdef.asp>.) These 2008 locality pay percentages, which replaced the 2007 locality pay percentages, became effective on the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2008 (January 6, 2008). An employee's locality rate of pay is computed by increasing his or her scheduled annual rate of pay (as defined in 5 CFR 531.602) by the applicable locality pay percentage. (See 5 CFR 531.604 and 531.609.)

Executive Order 13454 establishes the new Executive Schedule, which incorporates a 2.5 percent increase required under 5 U.S.C. 5318 (rounded to the nearest \$100). By law, Executive Schedule officials are not authorized to receive locality payments.

Executive Order 13454 establishes the range of rates of basic pay for senior executives in the Senior Executive Service (SES), as established pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5382. The minimum rate of basic pay for the SES may not be less than the minimum rate payable under 5 U.S.C. 5376 for senior-level positions (\$114,468 in 2008). The maximum rate of the SES rate range is level II of the Executive Schedule (\$172,200 in 2008) for SES members covered by a certified

SES performance appraisal system and level III of the Executive Schedule (\$158,500 in 2008) for SES members covered by an SES performance appraisal system that has not been certified. By law, SES members are not authorized to receive locality payments. Agencies with certified performance appraisal systems in 2008 for senior executives and/or senior-level (SL) and scientific or professional (ST) positions also must apply a higher aggregate limitation on pay—up to the Vice President's salary (\$221,100 in 2008).

The Executive order adjusted the rates of basic pay for administrative law judges (ALJs) by 2.5 percent (rounded to the nearest \$100). The maximum rate of basic pay for ALJs is set by law at the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule, which is now \$149,000. The rate of basic pay for AL-2 is \$145,400. The rates of basic pay for AL-3/A through 3/F range from \$99,500 to \$137,600. (See 5 U.S.C. 5372.)

The rates of basic pay for members of Contract Appeals Boards are calculated as a percentage of the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule. (See 5 U.S.C. 5372a.) Therefore, these rates of basic pay were increased by approximately 2.5 percent.

The maximum rate of basic pay for SL/ST positions was increased by approximately 2.5 percent (to \$149,000) because it is tied to the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule. The minimum rate of basic pay for SL/ST positions is equal to 120 percent of the minimum rate of basic pay for GS-15 and thus was increased by 2.5 percent (to \$114,468). (See 5 U.S.C. 5376.)

On November 2, 2007, the President's Pay Agent extended the 2008 locality-based comparability payments to certain categories of non-GS employees. The Governmentwide categories include employees in SL/ST positions, ALJs, and Contract Appeals Board members. The maximum locality rate of pay for these employees is the rate for level III of the Executive Schedule (\$158,500 in 2008).

On January 4, 2008, OPM issued a memorandum (CPM 2008-01) on the January 2008 pay adjustments. (See <http://www.opm.gov/oca/compmemo/2008/2008-01.asp>) The memorandum transmitted Executive Order 13454 and provided the 2008 salary tables, locality pay areas and percentages, and information on general pay administration matters and other related information. The "2008 Salary Tables" posted on OPM's Web site at <http://www.opm.gov/oca/08tables/index.asp> are the official rates of pay for affected employees and are hereby incorporated as part of this notice.

Office of Personnel Management.

**Linda M. Springer,**

*Director.*

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## UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, January 29, 2008, at 11:30 a.m.; and Wednesday, January 30, 2008, at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** Washington, DC, at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

**STATUS:** January 29—11:30 a.m.—Closed; January 30—8:30 a.m.—Open; January 30—10:30 a.m.—Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Tuesday, January 29 at 11:30 a.m. (Closed)

1. Product Pricing Update.
2. Financial Update.
3. Strategic Issues.
4. Labor Update.
5. Personnel Matters and Compensation Issues.
6. Governors' Executive Session—Discussion of prior agenda items and Board Governance.

### Wednesday, January 30 at 8:30 a.m. (Open)

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, December 10-11, 2007.
2. Remarks of the Chairman and Vice Chairman on the Board.
3. Remarks of the Postmaster General and CEO Jack Potter.
4. Committee Reports.
5. Consideration of Board Resolution on Capital Funding.
6. Quarterly Report on Service Performance.
7. Quarterly Report on Financial Performance.
8. Capital Investments.
  - a. Providence, Rhode Island, Processing & Distribution Center (P&DC) Expansion.
  - b. West Sacramento, California, P&DC Expansion.
  - c. Perris, California, Delivery Distribution Center.
9. Tentative Agenda for the March 4, and April 1-2, 2008, meetings in Washington, DC.
10. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors.

### Wednesday, January 30 at 10:30 a.m. (Closed)—if needed

1. Continuation of Tuesday's closed session agenda.

### CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Wendy A. Hocking, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

**Wendy A. Hocking,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT:** [73 FR 2560, January 15, 2008].

**STATUS:** Open Meeting.

**PLACE:** 100 F Street, NE., Auditorium, Room L-002, Washington, DC.

**DATE AND TIME OF PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED MEETING:** Wednesday, January 16, 2008 at 10 a.m.

**CHANGE IN THE MEETING:** Cancellation of Meeting.

The Open Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 16, 2008 has been cancelled.

For further information please contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 551-5400.

Dated: January 16, 2008.

**Nancy M. Morris,**

*Secretary.*

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## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### Self-Regulatory Organizations; American Stock Exchange LLC; Notice of Filing and Immediate Effectiveness of Proposed Rule Change Extending the Pilot Program Increasing Position and Exercise Limits for Options on the iShares® Russell 2000® Index Fund

January 14, 2008.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act")<sup>1</sup> and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,<sup>2</sup> notice is hereby given that on January 10, 2008, the American Stock Exchange LLC ("Exchange" or "Amex") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I and II below, which Items have

<sup>1</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

<sup>2</sup> 17 CFR 240.19b-4.