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NRC FINDS NO SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS FROM EXTENDED OPERATION OF BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued its final environmental impact statement on the proposed renewal of the operating licenses for the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Units 1 and 2. The report contains the NRC's finding that there are no environmental impacts that would preclude license renewal for an additional 20 years of operation.

The Brunswick plant is located on the Cape Fear River, approximately 15 miles south of Wilmington, N.C. The current operating licenses expire Sept. 8, 2016, for Unit 1 and Dec. 27, 2014, for Unit 2. Carolina Power and Light, now doing business as Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc., submitted an application for renewal of the licenses Oct. 18, 2004.

As part of its environmental review of the applications, the NRC held public meetings near the plant to discuss the scope of the review and the draft version of the environmental impact statement. Comments were received from members of the public, local officials, and representatives of state and federal agencies.

The Brunswick Final Environmental Impact Statement is available on the NRC's Web site at this address: <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1437/supplement25/index.html>. Copies are also available for inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Md, and the William Madison Randall Library, located at 601 S. College Rd., Wilmington, NC, 28403.

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