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NRC ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced today that an application for a 20-year renewal of the operating license for the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1, is available for public review.

The Shearon Harris plant is a pressurized water reactor located approximately 20 miles southwest of Raleigh, N.C. The current operating license expires Oct. 24, 2026. The applicant, Carolina Power and Light (a subsidiary of Progress Energy), submitted the renewal application Nov. 16. The application is available on the NRC Web site at this address:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications.html> .

The NRC staff is currently conducting its initial reviews of the application to determine whether it contains enough information for the required formal reviews. If the application has sufficient information, the NRC will formally “docket,” or file it and will announce an opportunity for the public to request an adjudicatory hearing on the renewal request.

Additional information about the NRC’s review of reactor license renewal applications is available on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal.html> .

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