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August 9, 2000

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SUBJECT: Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units 2 and 3
License Renewal: Request for Information on
Historic/Archaeological Resources

Dear Ms. Bruder:

PECO Energy Company (PECO Energy) is preparing an application to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to renew the operating licenses for Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station (PBAPS) Units 2 and 3. Current operating licenses for the two-unit plant expire in 2013 and 2014. The renewal term would be for an additional 20 years beyond the original license expiration date. As part of the license renewal process, the NRC requires license applicants to "assess whether any historic or archaeological properties will be affected by the proposed project." PECO Energy will submit the license renewal application to the NRC in 2001. By contacting your office now, we hope to identify any issues that we need to address or any information that we should provide to your office to expedite your evaluation of the impact of the continued operation of PBAPS on historic and archaeological resources.

PECO Energy has operated PBAPS and an associated transmission line since 1974. The facility is located on the west bank of Conowingo Pond in York County, Peach Bottom Township, approximately 3 miles north of the Pennsylvania-Maryland line (see attached map). Only one new transmission corridor was required to integrate PBAPS into PECO Energy's bulk power system when the facility was constructed. This transmission line, from Peach Bottom to the Keeney Substation in Delaware, is the only transmission line/corridor under review during this license renewal process. Part of this line runs through Maryland (see attached map).

PECO Energy has found no artifacts at the site or on the transmission line right-of-way during the 25 years of operation.

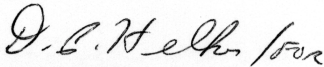
PECO Energy does not expect the operation of the PBAPS, including maintenance of the identified transmission line, through the license renewal term (an additional 20 years) to adversely affect cultural or historical resources in the area and region.

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No major modifications to the transmission line have been identified for the purposes of supporting license renewal. Any maintenance activities necessary to support license renewal would be limited to previously disturbed areas. No additional land disturbance is anticipated in support of license renewal. Accordingly, we request your concurrence with our determination that the license renewal process would have no effect on any historic or archeological properties.

Please do not hesitate to call Robert Matty at (610) 765-5514 if you have any questions or require any additional information to review the proposed action. After your review, we would appreciate receiving your input by December 1, 2000, detailing any concerns you may have about historic/archaeological properties in the area or confirming PECO Energy's conclusion that operation of PBAPS, including maintenance of the identified transmission line, over the license renewal term would have no effect on any historic or archaeological properties in Maryland. This will enable us to meet our application preparation schedule. PECO Energy will include a copy of this letter and your response in the Environmental Report that will be submitted to the NRC as part of the PBAPS license renewal application.

Sincerely,



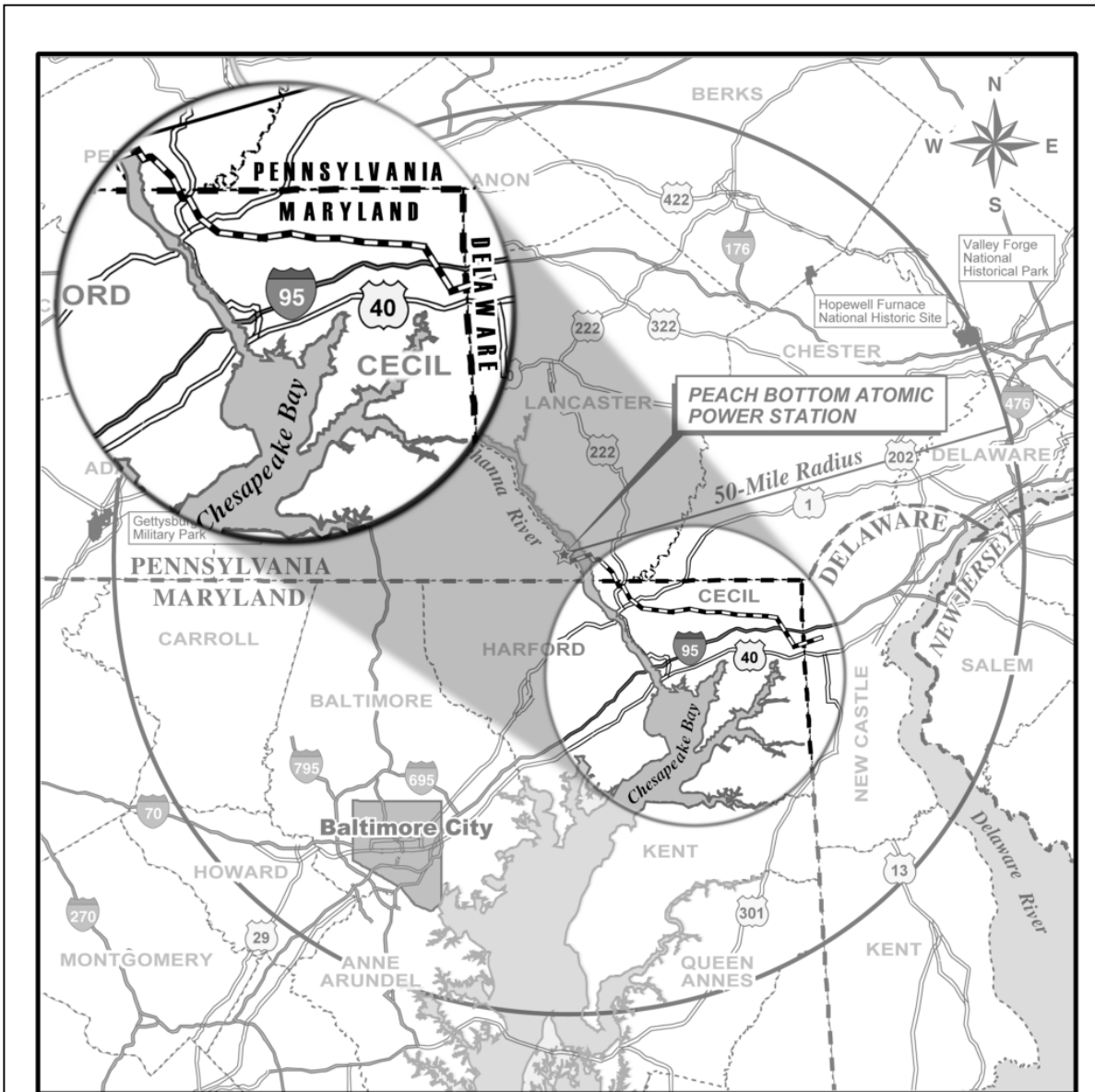
James A. Hutton
Director - Licensing

Enc: Maps of PBAPS vicinity and transmission line route
Rising Sun, Bay View, Conowingo, Newark West, Elkton Quadrangle Maps
with Keeney transmission corridor highlighted

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- ★ Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station
- Transmission Line

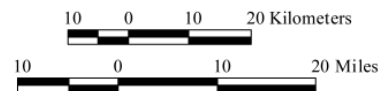


FIGURE 2. Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station 50-Mile Vicinity Map.



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RE: Relicensing of Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Unites 2 and 3
Cecil and Harford Counties, Maryland (Section 106 Review – NRC)

Dear Mr. Hutton:

Thank you for your 9 August 2000 letter which the Maryland Historical Trust received on 21 August 2000 regarding the proposed license renewal of the Peach Bottom facility. Trust staff have reviewed your letter and the enclosed USGS quadrangles, and below are our comments.

Archeology: Because of the prior disturbance in the project area, the Trust concurs that no archeological resources are likely to be impacted and no additional investigations are warranted.

Architecture: Based on a review of our inventory maps and forms, the Trust is of the opinion that no additional architectural investigations will be necessary in order for PECO to complete its license renewal application.

Effect Determination: It is therefore the opinion of the Maryland Historical Trust that the license renewal application will have no effect on historic properties eligible for or listed in National Register of Historic Places, including standing structures and archeological sites.

Thank you for providing us this opportunity to comment. Should you have any questions regarding the review of the project, please contact Ms. Anne Bruder (for structures) at 410-514-7636 or Dr. Gary Shaffer (for archeology) at 410-514-7638.

Sincerely,

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cc: Ms. Rosetta O. Virgilio, NRC FPO
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July 5, 2000

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PECO Energy does not expect the operation of the PBAPS through the license renewal term (an additional 20 years) to adversely affect cultural or historical resources in the area and region. PECO Energy has no plans to alter current operations over the license renewal period. No major modifications have been

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identified for the purposes of supporting license renewal. Any maintenance activities necessary to support license renewal would be limited to previously disturbed areas. No additional land disturbance is anticipated in support of license renewal. Accordingly, we request your concurrence with our determination that the license renewal process would have not effect on any historic or archeological properties.

Please do not hesitate to call Robert Matty at (610) 640-6353 if you have any questions or require any additional information to review the proposed action. After your review, we would appreciate receiving your input by December 1, 2000, detailing any concerns you may have about historic/archaeological properties in the area or confirming PECO Energy's conclusion that operation of PBAPS, including maintenance of the identified transmission line, over the license renewal term would have no effect on any historic or archaeological properties in Delaware. This will enable us to meet our application preparation schedule. PECO Energy will include a copy of this letter and your response in the Environmental Report that will be submitted to the NRC as part of the PBAPS license renewal application.

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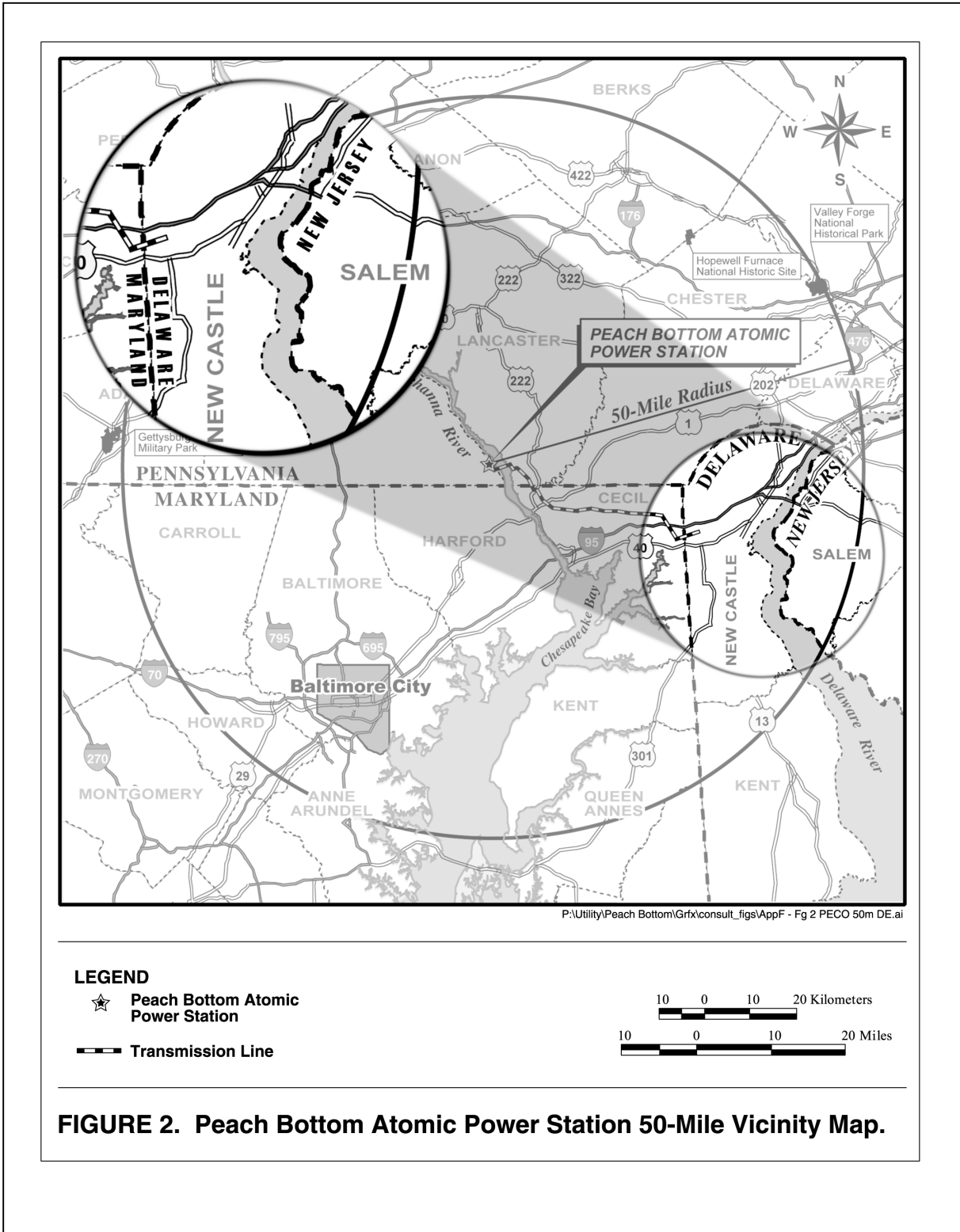


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