

Nuclear Power Plants and Other Production or Utilization Facilities.

2. *Current OMB approval number:* 3150-0163.

3. *How often the collection is required:* On occasion—when a State wishes to observe NRC inspections or perform inspections for NRC.

4. *Who is required or asked to report:* Those States interested in observing or performing inspections.

5. *The number of annual respondents:* Maximum of 50, although not all States have participated in the program.

6. *The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request:* An average estimate of 10 hours per State or 500 hours if all States participated in the program.

7. *Abstract:* States wishing to enter into an agreement with NRC to observe or participate in NRC inspections at nuclear power facilities are requested to provide certain information to the NRC to ensure close cooperation and consistency with the NRC inspection program as specified by the Commission's Policy of Cooperation with States at Commercial Nuclear Power Plants and Other Nuclear Production or Utilization Facilities. Submit, by June 12, 2000, comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?

2. Is the burden estimate accurate?

3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the draft supporting statement may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW, (lower level), Washington, DC. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html>) The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T-6 E6, Washington, DC 20555-0001, by telephone at (301) 415-7233, or by Internet electronic mail at [BJS1@NRC.GOV](mailto:BJS1@NRC.GOV).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of April, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-461]

### **Amergen Energy Company, LLC, Clinton Power Station; Notice of Consideration of Approval of Transfer of Facility Operating License and Conforming Amendment 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 transfer of Facility Operating License No. NPF-62 for Clinton Power Station, held by AmerGen Energy Company, LLC (AmerGen), as the owner and licensed operator. The transfer would result from the acquisition of PECO Energy Company's existing interest in AmerGen by a new generation company. This company, presently referred to in the subject application described below as GENCO, is to be a subsidiary of a new holding company Exelon Corporation formed from the proposed merger between PECO Energy Company (PECO) and Unicom Corporation (Unicom). The Commission is also considering amending the license for administrative purposes to reflect the proposed transfer. The facility is located in DeWitt County, Illinois.

According to an application for approval filed by AmerGen, AmerGen is a limited liability company formed to acquire and operate nuclear power plants in the United States. British Energy, Inc. and PECO each own 50% of AmerGen. Following completion of the merger between Unicom and PECO, GENCO will acquire PECO's existing 50% ownership interest in AmerGen. AmerGen, as owned by GENCO and British Energy, Inc. will continue to be responsible for the operation, maintenance, and eventual decommissioning of Clinton Power Station. No physical changes to the facility or operational changes are being proposed in the application.

The proposed amendment to the operating license would add language to the license transfer conditions that were incorporated into the Clinton Operating License upon the initial transfer of the license to AmerGen, to reflect the transfer of PECO's ownership interest in AmerGen to a new entity.

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 transfer of a license if the Commission determines that the proposed transferee is qualified 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.

Before issuance of the proposed conforming license amendments, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

As provided in 10 CFR 2.1315, unless otherwise determined by the Commission with regard to a specific application, the Commission has determined that any amendment to the license of a utilization facility which does no more than conform the license to reflect the transfer action involves no significant hazards consideration. No contrary determination has been made with respect to this specific license amendment application. In light of the generic determination reflected in 10 CFR 2.1315, no public comments with respect to significant hazards considerations are being solicited, notwithstanding the general comment procedures contained in 10 CFR 50.91.

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.

By May 1, 2000 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 M, "Public Notification, Availability of Documents and Records, Hearing Requests and Procedures for Hearings on License Transfer Applications," of 10 CFR part 2. In particular, such requests and petitions must comply with the requirements set forth in 10 CFR 2.1306, and should address the considerations contained in 10 CFR 2.1308(a). Untimely requests and petitions may be denied, as provided in 10 CFR 2.1308(b), 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 2.1308(b)(1)–(2).

Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene should be served upon:

Mr. Kevin P. Gallen, Esq., Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, 1800 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036–5869; the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555 (e-mail address for filings regarding license transfer cases only: OGCLT@NRC.gov); and the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, in accordance with 10 CFR 2.1313.

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, by May 11, 2000, 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 February 28, 2000, available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 6th day of April 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Jon B. Hopkins,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 40–8989; License No. SMC–1559]

### Envirocare of Utah and The Snake River Alliance; Receipt of Request for Action Under 10 CFR 2.206

Notice is hereby given that by petitions dated February 24, 2000, and March 13, 2000, the Snake River Alliance and Envirocare of Utah, respectively, have requested that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) take action with regard to protecting public health and safety. The petitioners request that the NRC assume responsibility for Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP) radioactively contaminated material and ensure its proper disposal in an NRC-licensed facility.

As the basis for these requests, the petitioners state that the NRC, under Sections 81 and 84 of the Atomic Energy Act (AEA), was given authority by Congress to regulate all 11e.(2) material regardless of when it was generated.

The request is being treated pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations. The request has been referred to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards. As provided by Section 2.206, appropriate action will be taken on this petition within a reasonable time. Copies of the petitions are available for inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room at 2120 L Street, NW. (Lower Level), Washington, DC 20555–0001.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 4th day of April, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Martin J. Virgilio,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

### Notice of Intent To Prepare a Draft Supplement to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement on Decommissioning of Nuclear Facilities and To Hold a Public Meeting for the Purpose of Scoping and To Solicit Public Input Into the Process

Notice is hereby given that the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) intends to prepare a draft supplement to the Final Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) on Decommissioning of Nuclear

Facilities (NUREG–0586, August 1988) and to hold public scoping meetings for the purpose of soliciting comments. Although NUREG–0586 covered all NRC-licensed facilities, this supplement will address only the decommissioning of nuclear power reactors.

The NRC will hold a public scoping meeting on April 27, 2000, at the Radisson Hotel Lisle-Naperville (telephone: 630–505–1000), 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle, Illinois 60532–3665, to present an overview of the proposed supplement to the GEIS and to accept public comment on its proposal. The public scoping meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and continue to 10:00 p.m.

The meeting will be transcribed and will include (1) A presentation by the NRC staff on the reasons for preparing a supplement to the GEIS and the environmental issues related to power reactor decommissioning to be addressed in the GEIS, and (2) the opportunity for interested government agencies, private organizations, and individuals to provide comments. Anyone wishing to attend or present oral comments at this meeting may preregister by contacting Mr. Dino C. Scaletti by telephone at 1–800–368–5642, extension 1104, or by Internet to the NRC at DGEIS@nrc.gov, 1 week prior to a specific meeting. Members of the public may also register to provide oral comments up to 15 minutes prior to the start of each meeting. Individual oral comments may be limited by the time available, depending on the number of persons who register. If special equipment or accommodations are needed to attend or present information at the public meeting, the need should be brought to Mr. Scaletti's attention no later than 1 week prior to a specific meeting, so that the NRC staff can determine whether the request can be accommodated.

Any interested party may submit comments related to the NRC's intent to supplement the GEIS for consideration by the NRC staff. To be certain of consideration, comments on the intent to prepare the supplement must be received by July 15, 2000. Comments received after the due date will be considered if it is practical to do so. At this time, comments are being sought only on the intent to prepare the supplement. The NRC staff currently projects issuance of the draft supplement for comment in early 2001. Comments on the draft supplement will be solicited at that time. Written comments should be sent to Chief, Rules and Directives Branch, Division of Administrative Services, Mail Stop T–6 D59, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory