

The NRC published a draft EA and FONSI on the proposed action for public comment in the **Federal Register** on October 29, 2015 (80 FR 66588). No comments were received.

## II. Environmental Assessment

### *Identification of the Proposed Action*

The proposed action would permit security personnel at NMP, in the performance of official duties, to transfer, receive, possess, transport, import, and use certain firearms and large capacity ammunition feeding devices not previously permitted to be owned or possessed, notwithstanding State, local, and certain Federal firearms laws, or regulations, that otherwise prohibit such actions.

The proposed action is in accordance with Exelon's application dated August 14, 2013, as supplemented by letters dated September 10, 2013, May 14, 2014, and January 16, 2015.

### *The Need for the Proposed Action*

The proposed action would allow the transfer, receipt, possession, transportation, importation and use of those firearms and devices needed in the performance of official duties required for the protection of NMP and associated special nuclear material, consistent with the NMP NRC-approved security plan.

### *Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action*

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the proposed action would only allow the use of those firearms and devices necessary to protect NMP and associated special nuclear material, consistent with the NMP NRC-approved security plan. Therefore, the proposed action would not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents. In addition, the proposed action would not change the types and the amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite. There would also be no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there would be no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

The proposed action would not impact land, air, or water resources, including biota. In addition, the proposed action would not result in any socioeconomic or environmental justice impacts or impacts to historic and cultural resources. Therefore, there would also be no significant non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that the issuance of the requested

amendment would not result in significant environmental impacts.

Details of the NRC's evaluation will be included in a letter to the licensee.

### *Environmental Impacts of the Alternatives to the Proposed Action*

As an alternative to the proposed action, the NRC staff considered denying the proposed action (*i.e.*, the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the license amendment request would result in no change in current environmental conditions at NMP.

### *Alternative Use of Resources*

The proposed action would not involve the use of any resources.

### *Agencies and Persons Consulted*

The staff did not consult with any other Federal Agency or State of New York agencies regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action.

## III. Finding of No Significant Impact

The licensee has requested a license amendment to permit licensee security personnel, in the performance of official duties, to transfer, receive, possess, transport, import, and use certain firearms and large capacity ammunition feeding devices not previously permitted to be owned or possessed notwithstanding State, local, and certain Federal firearms laws, or regulations that would otherwise prohibit such actions.

On the basis of the information presented in this environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action would not cause any significant environmental impact and would not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. In addition, the NRC has determined that an environmental impact statement is not necessary for the evaluation of this proposed action.

Other than the licensee's letter dated August 14, 2013, there are no other environmental documents associated with this review.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 8th day of December 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 72-10; NRC-2013-0251]

### **Northern States Power Company—Minnesota; Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** License renewal; issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued a renewed license to Northern States Power Company—Minnesota (NSPM) for its Materials License SNM-2506 for the receipt, possession, transfer, and storage of spent fuel at the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant (Prairie Island) Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI), located in Goodhue County, Minnesota. The renewed license authorizes operation of the Prairie Island ISFSI in accordance with the provisions of the renewed license and its Technical Specifications (TS). The renewed license expires on October 31, 2053.

**DATES:** December 16, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2013-0251 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC-2013-0251. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; email: [Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov](mailto:Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov). For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by email to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov). For the convenience of the reader, the ADAMS accession numbers are provided in a table in the "Availability of Documents" Section II of this document.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Discussion**

Based upon the application dated October 20, 2011, as supplemented February 29, 2012, April 26, 2012, July 26, 2013, July 31, 2014, September 3, 2014, and October 12, 2015, the NRC has issued a renewed license to NSPM, for its Prairie Island ISFSI, located in Goodhue County, Minnesota. The renewed license authorizes and requires operation of the Prairie Island ISFSI in accordance with the provisions of the

renewed license and its TS. The renewed license will expire on October 31, 2053. The NSPM's application for a renewed license complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the NRC's rules and regulations. The NRC has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the NRC's regulations in Chapter 1 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), and sets forth those findings in the renewed license. The agency afforded an opportunity for a hearing in the Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing published in the **Federal Register** on June 25, 2012 (77 FR 37937).

The NRC staff prepared a safety evaluation report for the renewal of the ISFSI license and concluded, based on that evaluation, the ISFSI will continue to meet the regulations in 10 CFR part 72. The NRC staff also prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) and

finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the renewal of this license in November 19, 2013 (78 FR 69460). The final EA and FONSI, were published on July 1, 2015 (80 FR 37662). The NRC staff's consideration of the impacts of continued storage of spent nuclear fuel (as documented in NUREG-2157, "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Storage of Spent Fuel") was included as an appendix to the EA. The NRC staff concluded that renewal of this ISFSI license will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment.

**II. Availability of Documents**

The following table includes the ADAMS accession numbers for the documents referenced in this notice. For additional information on accessing ADAMS, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this document.

Document	ADAMS accession No.
NSPM's application, dated October 20, 2011 .....	ML11304A068
Response to Request for Supplemental Information, dated February 29, 2012 .....	ML12065A073
Response to License Renewal Observations, dated April 26, 2012 .....	ML121170406
Response to First Request for Additional Information, dated July 26, 2013 .....	ML13210A272
Response to Second Request for Additional Information, dated July 31, 2014 .....	ML14234A463
Supplement to PINGP ISFSI License Renewal Application for Prairie Island Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation- Revised Safety Analysis Report Information .....	ML14247A316
Supplement to PINGP ISFSI License Renewal Application-Revised LRA Appendix C .....	ML14282A814
NRC Environmental Assessment .....	ML15098A026
NRC Safety Evaluation Report .....	ML15336A230
Supplement to PINGP ISFSI License Renewal Application-AMP Rev 2 .....	ML15285A007
NUREG-2157, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Storage of Spent Fuel, Volume 1 .....	ML14196A105
NUREG-2157, Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Storage of Spent Fuel, Volume 2 .....	ML14196A107

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of December 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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**NUCLEAR REGULATORY  
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[Docket Nos. 50-003, 50-247, 50-286, and  
72-5; NRC-2015-0246]

**Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.;**  
**Indian Point Nuclear Generating, Unit**  
**Nos. 1, 2, and 3**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory  
Commission.

**ACTION:** Finding of no significant impact  
with associated environmental  
assessment; final issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing an environmental assessment (EA) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) related to a request to amend Provisional Operating License No. DPR-5, and Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-26 and DPR-64, including the general licensed Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation, Docket No. 72-51, issued to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (ENO, "the licensee"), for operation of the Indian Point Nuclear Generating, Unit Nos. 1, 2 and 3, (hereinafter "Indian Point" or "the facility"), located in Westchester County, New York. The requested amendment would permit licensee security personnel to use certain firearms and ammunition feeding devices not previously permitted, notwithstanding State, local, and certain Federal firearms laws or regulations that otherwise prohibit such actions.

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