

transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) shall give its consent in writing. Upon review of the information in the licensee's application, and other information before the Commission, and relying on the representations in the application, the NRC staff has determined that the proposed indirect transfer of control of the Crystal River license to the extent held by FPC, to the extent affected by the proposed corporate merger between Progress Energy and Duke Energy, will not affect the qualifications of FPC as holder of the Crystal River facility operating license, and is otherwise consistent with the applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the NRC, pursuant thereto. The findings set forth above are supported by a safety evaluation dated December 2, 2011.

### III.

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 161o, and 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. Sections 2201(b), 2201(i), 2201(o), and 2234, respectively); and 10 CFR 50.80, *it is hereby ordered* that the application regarding the proposed indirect license transfer related to the proposed merger is approved.

*It is further ordered* that after receipt of all required regulatory approvals associated with the proposed indirect transfer action, FPC shall inform the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in writing of the date of the closing of the corporate merger of Progress Energy and Duke Energy. Should the indirect transfer of control of the licenses not be completed by December 2, 2012, this Order shall become null and void, provided, however, upon written application and good cause shown, such date may be extended by order of the Commission.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the initial application dated March 30, 2011, as supplemented by letter dated September 2, 2011, and the Safety Evaluation dated December 2, 2011, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area 01 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are accessible electronically through ADAMS at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should

contact the NRC PDR reference staff by telephone at 1-(800) 397-4209, or (301) 415-4737, or by email to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of December 2011.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Michele G. Evans,**

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

**[NRC-2011-0284; License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62; Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324]**

### **In the Matter of Carolina Power & Light Company North Carolina Eastern, Municipal Power Agency, Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Units 1 and 2; Order Approving Indirect Transfer of Control of Licenses**

#### I

Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L, the licensee) and North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency are the owners of Brunswick Steam Electric Plant (Brunswick), Units 1 and 2, including Brunswick Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI). With respect to their ownership, they are coholders of Renewed Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-71 and DPR-62. The Brunswick facility consists of two General Electric boiling water reactors and an ISFSI located in Brunswick County, North Carolina. The facility operating licenses authorize CP&L to possess, use, and operate the Brunswick facility.

#### II

By application dated March 30, 2011 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML11110A031), as supplemented by letter dated September 2, 2011 (ADAMS Accession No. ML11255A129) (collectively hereinafter referred to as the application), the licensee requested, pursuant to Section 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and Section 50.80 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, the Commission) consent to the proposed indirect transfer of control of the facility operating licenses for Brunswick, to the extent held by CP&L. The proposed indirect transfer of control of the licenses results from the proposed corporate merger between Progress Energy, Inc. (Progress

Energy) and Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy). Progress Energy is CP&L's ultimate parent corporation. As part of the transaction, Progress Energy will merge with Diamond Acquisition Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy. Progress Energy will be the surviving entity and will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy. Progress Energy will become an intermediate parent corporation of CP&L.

The ownership interest in Brunswick held by CP&L is 81.67 percent and that held by North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency is 18.33 percent. CP&L is the sole operator of Brunswick. The proposed indirect transfer of control of the Brunswick operating licenses will not result in any change in the role of the CP&L as the licensed operator and owner of the Brunswick facility and will not result in any changes to its financial qualifications, decommissioning funding assurance, or technical qualifications. CP&L will retain the requisite qualifications to own and operate the licensed facility. North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency is not involved in the proposed transaction and will continue to own 18.33 percent of the Brunswick facility.

Approval of the indirect transfer of control of the facility operating licenses was requested by CP&L. A notice entitled, "Notice of Consideration of Approval of Application for Indirect License Transfers Resulting from the Proposed Merger Between Progress Energy, Inc., and Duke Energy Corporation, and Opportunity for Hearing," was published in the **Federal Register** on August 30, 2011 (76 FR 53970). No comments or hearing requests were received.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80(a), no license, or any right thereunder, shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license, unless the NRC shall give its consent in writing. Upon review of the information in the application, and other information before the Commission, and relying on the representations in the application, the NRC staff has determined that the proposed indirect transfer of control of the Brunswick licenses to the extent held by CP&L, to the extent affected by the proposed corporate merger between Progress Energy and Duke Energy Corporation, will not affect the qualifications of CP&L as holder of the Brunswick licenses, and is otherwise consistent with the applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the NRC, pursuant thereto. The findings set forth above are

supported by a safety evaluation dated December 2, 2011.

### III

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 161o, and 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2201(b), 2201(i), 2201(o), and 2234, respectively); and 10 CFR 50.80, *it is hereby ordered* that the application regarding the indirect license transfers related to the proposed merger is approved.

*It is further ordered* that after receipt of all required regulatory approvals associated with the proposed indirect transfer action, CP&L shall inform the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation in writing of the date of the closing of the corporate merger of Progress Energy and Duke Energy. Should the indirect transfer of control of the licenses not be completed by December 2, 2012, this Order shall become null and void, provided, however, upon written application and good cause shown, such date may be extended by order of the Commission.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the initial application dated March 30, 2011, as supplemented by letter dated September 2, 2011, and the Safety Evaluation dated December 2, 2011, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area 01 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available documents created or received at the NRC are accessible electronically through ADAMS at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR reference staff by telephone at 1-(800) 397-4209, or (301) 415-4737, or by email to [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 2nd day of December 2011.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Michele G. Evans,**

*Director, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2011-0091]

### Office of New Reactors; Notice of Availability of the Final Staff Guidance Section 1.0, Revision 2 on Introduction and Interfaces

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** The NRC is issuing its final Revision 2 to NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan for the Review of Safety Analysis Reports for Nuclear Power Plants: LWR Edition," Section 1.0, Revision 2 on "Introduction and Interfaces" (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML112730393).

The NRC staff issues revisions to SRP sections to facilitate timely implementation of the current staff guidance and to facilitate reviews to amendments to licenses for operating reactors or for activities associated with review of applications for early site permits and combined licenses for the Office of New Reactors. The NRC will incorporate similar post-COL commitment guidance developed specifically for COL applicants and included in ISG-015 in the next revision of RG 1.206, "Combined License Applications for Nuclear Power Plants (LWR Edition)," and related guidance documents.

**Disposition:** On April 14, 2011, the NRC staff issued the proposed Revision 2 on SRP Section 1.0 on "Introduction and Interfaces," ADAMS Accession No. ML110110573. There were no comments received on the proposed revision. Therefore, the guidance is issued as final without changes to the proposed notification.

**Congressional Act Review:** In accordance with the Congressional Review Act, the NRC has determined that this action is not a major rule and has verified this determination with the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget.

**ADDRESSES:** The NRC maintains ADAMS, which provides text and image files of NRC's public documents. These documents may be accessed through the NRC's Public Electronic Reading Room on the Internet at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS should contact the NRC Public Document Room

reference staff at 1-(800) 397-4209, (301) 415-4737, or by email at [pdr.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr.resource@nrc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Amy E. Cubbage, Chief, Policy Branch, Division of Advanced Reactors and Rulemaking, Office of New Reactors, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001; telephone at (301) 415-2875 or email at [amy.cubbage@nrc.gov](mailto:amy.cubbage@nrc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NRC posts its issued staff guidance on the NRC external Web page (<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/isg/>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 1st day of December 2011.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. A2012-78; Order No. 1021]

### Post Office Closing

**AGENCY:** Postal Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document informs the public that an appeal of the closing of the Avalon, Texas post office has been filed. It identifies preliminary steps and provides a procedural schedule. Publication of this document will allow the Postal Service, petitioners, and others to take appropriate action.

#### DATES:

December 5, 2011: Administrative record due (from Postal Service);  
December 27, 2011, 4:30 p.m., Eastern Time: Deadline for notices to intervene.

See the Procedural Schedule in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for other dates of interest.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments electronically by accessing the "Filing Online" link in the banner at the top of the Commission's Web site (<http://www.prc.gov>) or by directly accessing the Commission's Filing Online system at <https://www.prc.gov/prc-pages/filing-online/login.aspx>. Commenters who cannot submit their views electronically should contact the person identified in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section as the source for case-related information for advice on alternatives to electronic filing.