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NRC EVALUATION LISTS SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE AT TURKEY POINT

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has issued a Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report on Florida Power & Light Company's Turkey Point nuclear power plant, located near Homestead, Florida, indicating superior performance for the second time in a row.

The facility was evaluated by the NRC for a period from August 28, 1994, through August 17, 1996, and received Category 1, or superior, ratings in the areas of Plant Operations, Engineering, Maintenance and Plant Support.

Stewart D. Ebneter, Regional Administrator of the NRC's southeastern area, said in a letter to the company that the continued high level of performance resulted from what he described as "dedication to continuous improvement and teamwork of all those associated with operation of the facility."

The plant received all Category 1 (superior) ratings in the same categories during the last NRC assessment of performance.

NRC officials will meet with FP&L managers at Turkey Point on October 10 at 10:00 a.m. (edt) to discuss details of the contents of the report. The meeting will be open to observation by the public. NRC officials will be available at its conclusion to answer questions from interested observers.