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NRC ANNOUNCES OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING FOR LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS FOR MCGUIRE, CATAWBA NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has announced the opportunity to request a hearing on an application for renewal of the operating licenses for the McGuire Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, and Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2.

Duke Energy Corporation, the operator of the four units, submitted applications for the renewal of all the operating licenses on June 13. A notice of receipt was published by NRC in the Federal Register on July 16. The staff has determined that Duke Energy Corporation has submitted sufficient information for the NRC to formally “docket,” or file, the applications and conduct a detailed review.

The deadline for hearing requests is September 14. By that time, requests must be filed by anyone whose interest might be affected by the license renewals and who wishes to participate as a party to the proceeding.

The McGuire nuclear facility is located 17 miles north-northwest of Charlotte, North Carolina, in Mecklenburg County. The operating licenses for Units 1 and 2 expire on June 12, 2021, and March 3, 2023, respectively.

The Catawba nuclear facility is located 18 miles southwest of Charlotte, North Carolina, in York County. The operating licenses for Units 1 and 2 expire on December 6, 2024, and February 24, 2026, respectively.

Requests for a hearing must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff. They may also be delivered to the NRC Public Document Room at 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. A copy of the request should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to Michael S. Tuckman, Executive Vice President, Nuclear Generation, Duke Energy Corporation, 526 South Church Street, P.O. Box 1006, Charlotte, NC 28201-1006. Additional information about the opportunity for hearing may be found in the Federal Register notice.

Copies of the application are available on the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/REACTOR/LR/index.html> , and are also available through the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). Help in using ADAMS is available by contacting the NRC Public Document room staff at 301-415-4737 or 1-800-397-4209, or by sending a message to pdr@nrc.gov via e-mail. The application is available for public inspection at the NRC's Public Document Room.

In addition, copies of the license renewal applications for the McGuire and Catawba nuclear stations are available at the J. Murrey Atkins Library at the University of North Carolina - Charlotte, in Charlotte, NC, and at the Rock Hill Public Library in Rock, SC, respectively.

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