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NRC ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR DRESDEN, QUAD CITIES NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received a combined application for renewals of the operating licenses for Units 2 and 3 at the Dresden nuclear power plant, as well as for Units 1 and 2 at the Quad Cities nuclear power plant, for an additional 20 years. Exelon Generation Co. submitted the application on January 3.

The Dresden plant is located near Morris, Illinois, and the current operating licenses for Units 2 and 3 expire on Dec. 22, 2009, and Jan. 12, 2011, respectively. The Quad Cities plant is located near Moline, Illinois, and the current operating licenses for both units expires on Dec. 12, 2012.

The NRC staff is currently conducting an initial review of the application to determine whether it contains enough information for the required formal review. If an application has sufficient information, the NRC will formally "docket," or file, it and announce an opportunity to request a hearing.

With this application, 30 of the 103 nuclear power reactors operating in the United States have requested license renewal. Of those, NRC has approved license renewal for 10; the others are still under review.

A copy of the application will be available at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications.html> on the NRC web site.

It also is 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.

In addition, copies of the Dresden license renewal application are available at the Morris Library, 604 Liberty Street, Morris, Illinois, and the Coal City Public Library, 85 North Garfield Street, Coal City, Illinois. A copy of the Quad Cities license renewal application is available at the River Valley District Library, 214 South Main Street, Port Byron, Illinois.

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