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NRC APPROVES POWER UPRATE FOR INDIAN POINT 3 NUCLEAR PLANT

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has approved a request by Entergy Nuclear Operations to increase the generating capacity of the Indian Point 3 nuclear power plant by 1.4 percent.

The power uprate at the plant, located in Buchanan, New York, will increase the generating capacity of Unit 3 from 1027 megawatts electric to 1041. The licensee intends to implement the power uprate in mid-December.

NRC published a notice about the power uprate application in the *Federal Register* providing the public an opportunity to comment or request a hearing. No comments or hearing requests were received by the NRC.

The NRC's safety evaluation of the requested power uprate for the plant focused on several areas, including nuclear steam supply systems, instrumentation and control systems, electrical systems, accident evaluations, radiological consequences, operations, and other technical specification changes. The NRC staff determined that the licensee could safely increase the power output of the reactor primarily through increased feedwater flow measurement accuracy.

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