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NRC Seeks Public Comment on Draft Supplement to Environmental Study of Indian Point Nuclear Plant License Renewal

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is seeking public comment on a draft supplement to the environmental impact statement on the proposed license renewal of the Indian Point nuclear power plant in Buchanan, N.Y.

Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit Nos. 2 and 3 are two pressurized-water reactors located about 24 miles north of New York City. Entergy Nuclear Operations Inc. submitted its license renewal application in April 2007, and the NRC staff issued its final environmental impact statement in December 2010.

This is the second supplement to the Indian Point environmental impact statement. It incorporates information obtained by the NRC staff since the first supplement was published in June 2013. The supplement includes the staff's evaluation of revised cost estimates for severe accident mitigation alternatives, new information on the plant's impact on aquatic life in the Hudson River, and other environmental issues. It also incorporates findings of the NRC's Generic Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Storage of Spent Nuclear Fuel, published in September 2014. Finally, the supplement describes new consultations under the Endangered Species Act regarding the northern long-eared bat and provides an update on the status of the operating licenses of Indian Point units 2 and 3.

Comments may be submitted over the federal government's rulemaking website, www.regulations.gov, using Docket ID NRC-2008-0672. They may also be submitted by mail to Cindy Bladey, Office of Administration, Mail Stop OWFN-12-H08, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. The comment period will begin upon publication of a *Federal Register* notice by the Environmental Protection Agency, expected in early January, and will end March 4.

The draft supplement is Volume 5 of Supplement 38 to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants. It and other documents related to the Indian Point license renewal are available on the [NRC website](#).