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NRC Renews Operating License of Grand Gulf Nuclear Plant in Mississippi

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has renewed the operating license of the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station, Unit 1, for an additional 20 years, through Nov. 1, 2044.

The Grand Gulf plant is a boiling-water reactor, located in Port Gibson, Miss., about 20 miles southwest of Vicksburg. The operator, Entergy Operations Inc., submitted the renewal application Nov. 1, 2011.

The NRC staff's review of the application proceeded on two tracks. A safety evaluation report was issued Oct. 18, 2016. A supplemental environmental impact statement was issued Nov. 28, 2014. These documents, as well as other information about the Grand Gulf license renewal application, [are available on the NRC website](#). The NRC's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards also [reviewed the staff's work](#).

Renewal of Grand Gulf's operating license brings to 86 the number of commercial nuclear power reactors with renewed licenses (three of those have since permanently shut down). Applications for an additional nine renewals are currently under review. Information about these reviews can be found on the [NRC website](#).