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Contact from a Web user

Contact Information:

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Company: None
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Response requested? Yes
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Comments:

Please let me know when the PSC intends to review FPL's request to charge customers for the 3 solar projects that were just approved.

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From: Ann Cole
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 8:50 AM
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Cc: William C. Garner; Lorena Holley; Larry Harris; Bridget Grimsley; Lois Graham; Kay Posey; Steve Larson; Mary Macko
Subject: RE: FPSC Dockets #080009 Nuclear Cost Recovery and #080281 Solar Cost Recovery

Thanks, Roberta. This email will be placed in *Docket Correspondence-Consumers and their Representatives*, for Docket Nos. 080281-EI and 080009-EI, today.

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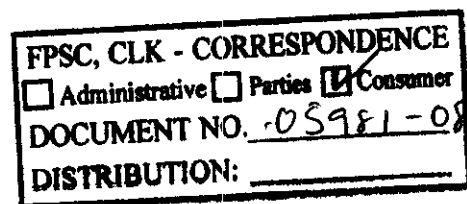
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Subject: NRC SAYS REACTOR DESIGNS FAR FROM BEING APPROVED

Nuclear Cost Approvals Should be Revoked

July 24, 2008
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 Tom Clements -- 803-834-3084, cell 803-240-7268
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SC, NC Commissions Are Urged to Revoke Duke Nuclear Cost Approvals Due to Design Problems, Delays

Feds tell Westinghouse its design is off track; doubts over new nukes grow

DURHAM, NC – Federal regulators now say a nuclear plant design touted as “certified” in 2004 remains years from completion, more delays in the design approval process are likely, and problems involving major components and plant systems persist. In response, public interest groups in North and South Carolina today filed legal motions calling for revocation of \$230 million in preconstruction costs approved by both states’ electricity regulatory commissions in May and June for two new Duke Energy reactors.

Friends of the Earth and NC WARN told utilities commissioners in both states today that escalating design problems threaten Duke Energy’s chances of ever completing two new Westinghouse AP1000 reactors it wants to build near Gaffney, SC. They also say the delays mean Duke cannot provide a firm project cost estimate for the Lee Nuclear Station by year-end, a commitment the company made to both commissions during hearings over the preconstruction costs.

“The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has served notice that the ‘nuclear revival’ is in trouble,” Tom Clements, of Friends of the Earth’s Columbia, SC office said today. “Duke Energy’s customers should not be stuck holding the bag if the company keeps pouring millions into that risky project. The state regulatory agencies must now reverse their earlier decisions to approve Duke’s reactor project and require that the company not come back for reconsideration until the reactor design is finalized.”

Late this spring, both state commissions deemed Duke’s request to incur \$230 million in “preconstruction costs” to be “reasonable and prudent,” effectively clearing the charges to eventually be passed to Duke Carolinas customers in their electricity bills. The power giant says the money is being used for site clearing, project planning, engineering, and “some limited initial payments” for large equipment such as pumps, reactor vessels and steam generators – most of which are now caught up in the design certification problems.

During hearings prior to those approvals, former NRC commissioner Peter Bradford, testifying on behalf of the public interest groups, warned that construction of new plants “employing untested designs entails extremely large economic risks” for customers. Even Duke’s own expert testified under cross examination that “significant financial, regulatory and technical challenges” remain unresolved, citing the incomplete Westinghouse design as “the most significant technical challenge.”

Since then, Westinghouse’s problems with the AP1000 have swelled. In a June 27th letter to the reactor maker, NRC noted that the company’s recent withdrawal of technical documents due to design troubles had pushed the agency’s review of key components and systems back at least several months, possibly into 2012. The AP1000 is experimental in nature and has never been constructed even on a demonstration scale.

Earlier this year, Duke Energy and others filed 6,500 pages of Westinghouse’s technical design documents as the major component of applications to build new plants. Of the 172 interconnected Westinghouse documents, only 21 have been certified. And most of those rely on systems integral to the remaining, unapproved documents, which include the reactor building, control room, cooling systems, engineering designs, plant-wide alarm systems, piping and conduit.

The NRC is trying to review and certify plant designs separately from the applications themselves, compounding the challenge to maintain a hoped-for timeline of three years for new plant approval.

The agency anticipates more modifications as the review progresses – likely delaying each project.

Given the lack of a final design, the NRC’s certification was, at best, premature. Until the final design has been submitted, reviewed and approved, the NRC should withdraw its certification of the AP1000. The same incomplete design is being proposed by utilities in North Carolina (Progress, Harris site), South Carolina (SCE&G, VC Summer site), Georgia (Georgia Power, Vogtle site), Alabama (TVA, Bellefonte site), Florida (FP&L at Turkey Point, Progress at Levy County).

Nuclear industry proponents claimed that generic blueprints created by Westinghouse and a few others could be slightly modified for specific sites. Such standardization is considered crucial to avoiding the cascading mistakes, delays and cost overruns during licensing and construction that forced scores of midstream cancellations – including six by Duke – in the 1980s.

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But the AP1000, which Westinghouse and NRC dubbed "certified" in 2004, is now in its 16th revision. In testimony before the NC and SC regulatory commissions, Duke failed to disclose that growing delays and problems were facing the design review. And last month, the NRC said it must delay its license review at Calvert Cliffs until certification of Areva, Inc's design is complete.

"The NRC is protecting itself against blame for the nuclear revival getting bogged down," said NC WARN's Jim Warren today. "Accordingly, our utilities commissions must protect customers from risky corporate behavior by rejecting the premature and half-baked reactor proposals."

Notes to editors:

NRC's June 27 letter to Westinghouse indicating more design delays:

file:///Z:/testwebsite/docs/letters/Ltr%20NRC%20to%20Westinghouse%20re%20design%20schedule%206-27-08.pdf

NRC website on the AP1000 design is found at:

<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-licensing/design-cert/amended-ap1000.html>

The NC WARN and FOE motions can be found at:

<http://www.foe.org/nuclear/07.24.08NCmotion.pdf> and <http://www.foe.org/nuclear/07.24.08SCmotion.pdf>

NC Utilities Commission docket on Duke's request to incur "preconstruction costs" can be found by search for docket E-7 Sub 819 at:

<http://ncuc.commerce.state.nc.us/docksrch.html>

SC PSC docket on Duke's request can be found at:

<http://dms.psc.sc.gov/dockets/dockets.cfc?Method=DocketDetail&DocketID=102593>

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NC WARN (ncwarn.org) is a grassroots non-profit using science and activism to tackle climate change and reduce hazards to public health and the environment from nuclear power and other polluting electricity production, and working for a transition to safe, economical energy in North Carolina.

On Jul 24, 2008, at 10:45 AM, Rhonda Roff wrote:

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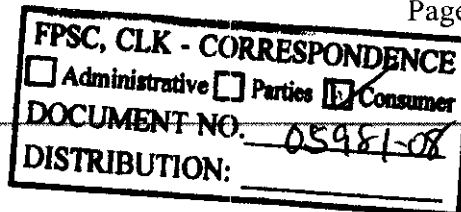
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Cc: sandrasafran@mac.com
Subject: My contact

Contact from a Web user

Contact Information:
Name: Sandra Safran
Company:
Primary Phone: 5616767717
Secondary Phone: 5616767717
Email: sandrasafran@mac.com

Response requested? Yes
CC Sent? Yes

Comments:
I applaud FPL for it's finally getting around to installing solar projects in Florida - home of sun, wind and wave. What I do NOT appreciate is the fact that these projects are NOT funded by the company and it's shareholders. Why do the customers have to pay for their projects? It should be a capital expenditure footed by the company itself. What SHOULD be funded by tax payers are large subsidies to install solar panels. EVERYBODY should have solar panels on their roofs, paid for by the state. No new home or business should be allowed to be built without solar panels.

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To: Office Of Commissioner Edgar
Subject:

Dear Commissioner,

I applaud your efforts in exposing the Sunshine Energy Program. I would like to contact you regarding FPL's next GREEN program. I am speaking of the Solar projects FPL is planning in Florida. While I am glad to see FPL doing some of these large scale projects, the upfront money they are asking for could be much better spent. FPL plans these mega projects that are far from any end users. There will be huge line loses involved that they don't tell anyone about. They are taking our money and paying out of state contractors to perform the work. They clam our bills will only go up 83 cents per month or about .1 cents per kwh.

As of 2005 the population in the State of Florida was 17,768,000. The average energy usage per capita was 12,662kwh. Multiply these numbers and you get a total energy usage for the state of Florida of 224,978,416,000. .1 cents per kwh is equal to \$224,978,416. This is per year! Many of the other states in the country charge this same usage fee and create a public benefit fund with it. This money is then given back to the

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state population in the form of a rebates for installing solar or wind generation technology on there own homes. When the renewable energy system is located near the usage point there is no line loss. This will create jobs in our State and promote energy conservation. The FPL plan sends our money out of state and FPL gains all the benefits.

David Schroeders
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From: Ann Cole
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From: George Fuller [mailto:GRFuller1@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 03, 2008 12:11 PM
To: Office of Commissioner Skop
Subject: NANOSOLAR.COM

Commissioner,
 Are you familiar with the above mentioned company located in CA? They are producing solar panelling at less than one dollar per watt (not installed). I see in the paper today FPL received staff recommendation for three plants to generate 110 megawatts of power at a cost of \$6.25 per watt installed.

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My guess is the major portion of the cost for the installed panelling is the cost of the product. It is my understanding there is no land cost.

I suggest you familiarize yourself with Nanosolar if you are not already. They are producing the state of the art panelling and will be the industry standard.

I am simply a customer of FPL wanting to keep my electric costs to a minimum.

Best Regards,

George Fuller
Sarasota

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