

staff's consideration of comments submitted during the review from the public and federal, state, local, and tribal agencies.

The NRC's final decision on the Turkey Point SLR application will also take into account the staff's July 2019 final safety evaluation report. While an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board has concluded that there is no basis to hold a hearing on the renewal application, the board's decision can be appealed to the full commission.

The final EIS is available on the NRC website, at <www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1929/ML19290H346.pdf>. More information on the Turkey Point SLR application is available at <www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications/turkey-point-subsequent.html>.

Dominion Energy Virginia filed the SLR application for Surry-1 and -2 in October 2018, and the NRC staff has concluded that the environmental impacts are not great enough to prevent the agency from considering issuing renewed licenses.

Surry-1 and -2 began operation in 1972 and 1973, respectively. Initial license renewals were approved in 2003, and second license renewals would extend licenses now set to expire in 2032 and 2033, potentially allowing the plant to operate through 2053.

The staff's preliminary analysis is recorded in the draft EIS. It evaluated the



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Turkey Point: The issuance of a final EIS signals the completion of NRC staff work on the U.S. fleet's first SLR application.

environmental impacts of license renewal and its alternatives and concluded that environmental issues associated with 80 years of operation for Surry would be minor.

Surry's SLR application was the third to be submitted. Dominion's SLR application for North Anna-1 and -2, planned for the fourth quarter of 2020, may be the fourth. NRC staff will consider written com-

ments on the Surry draft EIS until December 10. Comments can be submitted via the federal rulemaking website, at <www.regulations.gov>, with a search for Docket ID NRC-2018-0280.

More information on the Surry SLR application is available at <www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications/surry-subsequent.html>. **N**

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