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Meeting Agenda

- ✧ The NRC License Renewal Process
- ✧ Hatch Nuclear Plant Biological Assessment
- ✧ Development of Biological Opinions
- ✧ Modification of Biological Opinions
- ✧ Near Term License Renewals and Early Site Permits in Southeast Region



Expected Outcomes

- ✧ Agreement with the Hatch proposal and a commitment for a timely review
- ✧ Commitment to solicit comments from the Federal agency on draft Biological Opinions
- ✧ Develop a mechanism to make minor changes to Biological Opinions in a timely manner
- ✧ Obtain a commitment for timely consultations for near term reviews



NRC License Renewal Process

- ✂ 40 year license authorized by AEC
- ✂ First renewed license issued in 2000
- ✂ About 1/3 of all licenses have been renewed or are under review
- ✂ Environmental impact statement developed for each review
- ✂ Timely consultation critical to schedule

● Hatch Nuclear Plant Biological Assessment

- ✧ Background
- ✧ Current Status
- ✧ Proposed Solution
- ✧ Schedule

Development of Biological Opinions

✧ Background

- St. Lucie
- Crystal River

✧ Challenges




✧ Proposed Solution



Modification of Biological Opinions

- ✧ Background
 - Crystal River
- ✧ Challenges
- ✧ Proposed Solution

Near Term Actions

Plant Name	Type Action	Location	Site
J Farley – Unit 1	License Renewal	Dothan, AL Chattahoochee, River	
Arkansas Nuclear One – Unit 2	License Renewal	Russellville AR Arkansas River	
Browns Ferry - Units 1, 2 and 3	License Renewal	Decatur, AL Tennessee River	
Grand Gulf - 2 Units	Early Site Permit	Port Gibson, MS Mississippi River	



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