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NRC ANNOUNCES AVAILABILITY OF LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS FOR VERMONT YANKEE AND PILGRIM

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission announced today that applications for 20-year renewals of the operating licenses for the Vermont Yankee and Pilgrim nuclear power plants are available for public review.

Vermont Yankee is located approximately five miles south of Brattleboro, Vt., and its current operating license expires March 21, 2012. Pilgrim is located four miles southeast of Plymouth, Mass., and its operating license expires June 8, 2012.

The licensee for both plants, Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., submitted the renewal applications Jan. 27. They are available on the NRC Web site at this address:
<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal/applications.html> .

The NRC staff is currently conducting its initial reviews of the applications to determine whether they contain enough information for the required formal reviews. If the applications have sufficient information, the NRC will formally “docket,” or file the applications and will announce an opportunity for the public to request an adjudicatory hearing on either plant.

Additional information about the NRC’s review of reactor license renewal applications is available on the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/licensing/renewal.html> .

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