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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC-20555-0001

Dear Sir:

As the elected Delegate representing the 72,000 residents of Louisa, Goochland and northwestern Henrico counties in the Virginia General Assembly, I am writing to express my support for Dominion's early site permit (ESP) application for the North Anna Power Station site. It is my understanding that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff's preliminary recommendation was that the ESP should be issued, and I concur in that recommendation.

As a former Navy officer who served in nuclear submarines, I know that nuclear power plants such as North Anna provide safe, reliable and affordable electricity that is important to our economy, and helps our Commonwealth and Nation achieve greater energy independence. Dominion's North Anna and Surry power stations provide 34 percent of the electricity used by customers in Virginia.

North Anna Power Station is one of the nation's most efficient and cost-effective nuclear generation facilities. Because our Nation's demand for affordable electricity continues to grow, at a time when we face growing competition from China and India for the world's finite petroleum reserves, it is critically important to our economy and national security that nuclear energy remain an option to meet this growing demand. Although Dominion has reportedly made no decision as yet to actually build a third reactor at North Anna, approval of the ESP would preserve such an option.

Dominion is an excellent corporate neighbor and has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to work with its Louisa County neighbors. Dominion has built up significant community goodwill by its willingness to listen and respond to the concerns of those who live on Lake Anna.

Specifically, in response to concerns voiced by Lake Anna residents regarding the thermal impact on the lake of the "once-through" cooling method of the existing reactors, Dominion has agreed to spend \$200 million on a cooling tower system for any potential third reactor at the North Anna site, thereby obviating the need for using lake water for cooling, despite the lack of any scientific evidence of any adverse public health or environmental impact of the existing Waste Heat Treatment Facility.

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The NRC staff has performed a rigorous review of the potential environmental impacts associated with operation of additional reactors at the North Anna site. I support the NRC staff's preliminary conclusions contained in the supplemental draft environmental impact statement and urge the NRC to issue the early site permit.

With kind regards, I remain

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Janis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

W. R. "Bill" Janis