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To: TurkeyPointCOLEIS Resource; Gallagher, Carol; Williamson, Alicia
Subject: Docket ID NRC-2009-0337 - Opposition to new nuclear reactors in South FL

I'm a South Florida resident and I am expressing my opposition to expanding the Turkey Point nuclear plant any further. This project is the wrong project for this location and the permit to add more nuclear reactors should be denied.

Below are some of the reasons for my opposition:

>> Two of South Florida's most important public lands and wildlife habitats - Biscayne and Everglades National Parks - will be put at risk and be forever changed by a project of this scale.

>> Concerns about very likely water quality issues that can worsen the situation for endangered and threatened species in the vicinity

>> There is no need to build more risk in this highly hurricane-prone location.

>> As most scientists agree, the impacts of sea level rise will be great in South Florida. Turkey Point is located within the lowest elevations in South Florida. Even a half foot of sea level rise will be enough to inundate the canals used to cool the two reactors currently operating at this location. With scientists measuring ever-increasing sea level rise, those 6 inches of sea level rise are a virtual certainty. Building these costly new reactors will be irresponsible given the challenges we know we face.

>> Nuclear wastes have already piled up on the shores of Biscayne Bay. With the two new reactors having a much larger power capacity than the existing ones, increasing amounts of spent nuclear fuel will be accumulating in a flood and hurricane prone location for years to come. We don't need a tragedy like Fukushima.

>> A new, unsightly, industrial landscape, with more high power lines posing risks to migrating birds, within our precious Everglades - visible for miles - for visitors to one of our country's most unique and popular wilderness areas.

The known risks from this project are bad enough. How then can South Florida plan for unknown and unconsidered risks as well as inevitable human error?

No state in the eastern half of the U.S. has the solar potential of Florida - also known as the Sunshine State. FPL should drop this risky project and instead embrace a solar alternative that the company knows its customers want. Solar contains virtually none of the risk of its proposed Turkey Point expansion and will contribute to both the ecological and economic sustainability of our region for years to come.

PLEASE, do the right thing for South Florida. Please deny this permit.

Concerned South Florida resident,

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