

TurkeyPointCEm Resource

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To whom it may concern,

As a citizen of Miami-Dade county for my entire life, I am deeply concerned by the actions FPL is trying to take with regard to nuclear expansion. While I understand that our cities and counties have growing needs for energy, I do not believe this is the right route to take for several reasons.

1. While transmission lines may be an eyesore, that is not the biggest issue with what is being proposed. The biggest issue IMO is that these transmission lines will not even be up to hurricane code (ie able to withstand hurricane force winds). As someone who has lived through several hurricanes in south florida, this is absolutely a NON-STARTER. I cannot build or remodel a home without it being to code, so FPL should NOT be allowed to construct these without ensuring that they can withstand hurricanes.
2. Building additional reactors so near our own drinking water and natural reserves should NOT be allowed. I don't think I really have to get too deep into this argument, I simply have to link you to a wikipedia page: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fukushima_Daiichi_nuclear_disaster
 1. We must not forget the actual costs associated with a natural disaster that literally washes over a nuclear facility. Sure, we may not have tsunamis here, but we do have hurricanes, which bring HUGE storm surges.
3. Fresh drinking water is a concern all over the United States, especially out West. We should NOT be blind to this and think we are different. The current FPL nuclear facility at Turkey Point already is begging for MORE fresh water to keep its reactors cool. The cooling canals are not doing their jobs; even with additional water the cooling canals are overheating. This is not being satisfactorily addressed at the moment, nor in the proposal to EXPAND the facility.

For these reasons, and others highlighted here: <http://www.miamiherald.com/opinion/op-ed/article20380647.html> I ask that you NOT grant FPL permission to move forward with it's proposal.

Thank you,

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