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From: Tompkins, Bryan <bryan_tompkins@fws.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2016 7:39 AM
To: Baum, Richard
Subject: [External_Sender] Re: NRC Preliminary Determination of No Effect Regarding the McGuire Nuclear Station Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

Mr. Baum,

I apologize for you not receiving a response from us on the initial request. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received a copy of the Decommissioning Plan from Duke Energy for the McGuire Nuclear Station located in Huntersville, North Carolina. The USFWS - Asheville FO has reviewed the copy of the "US Nuclear Regulatory Commission Preliminary Determination of No Effect Regarding the McGuire Nuclear Station Spent Fuel Storage Decommissioning Funding Plan" that you provided on March 28, 2016 (originally provided on August 10, 2015). According to the information presented, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has determined that the eventual decommissioning of the McGuire Steam Station "may affect, not likely to adversely affect" federally listed species or designated critical habitat. Based on the information provided and a review of our records, we do not believe this project will have any effect on federally listed species and we concur with the "may affect, not likely to adversely affect" determination. Therefore, the requirements under section 7(c) of the Act are fulfilled. However, obligations under section 7 of the Act must be reconsidered if: (1) new information reveals impacts of this identified action that may affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner not previously considered, (2) this action is subsequently modified in a manner that was not considered in this review, or (3) a new species is listed or critical habitat is determined that may be affected by the identified action.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this document. If we can be of additional assistance or answer any questions you may have, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

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On Mon, Mar 28, 2016 at 2:10 PM, Baum, Richard <Richard.Baum@nrc.gov> wrote:

Bryan:

As we discussed, attached is a letter NRC sent to Mr. Leopoldo Miranda on August 10, 2015 requesting FWs approval for McGuire Nuclear Station. I don't believe we ever received a response. If you approve, you can respond to this email with your concurrence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 301-415-0018.

Richard Baum, Project Manager

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