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NRC Renews Operating Licenses of LaSalle Nuclear Plant in Illinois

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has renewed the operating licenses of the LaSalle County Station nuclear power plant, Units 1 and 2, for an additional 20 years.

The LaSalle plant has two boiling-water reactors, located in Marseilles, Ill., about 11 miles southeast of Ottawa. The renewed licenses authorize the reactors to operate through April 17, 2042, for Unit 1 and Dec. 16, 2043, for Unit 2. The operator, Exelon Generation Co., submitted the renewal application Dec. 9, 2014.

The NRC staff's review of the application proceeded on two tracks. A safety evaluation report was issued June 2. A supplemental environmental impact statement was issued Aug. 26. These documents, as well as other information about the LaSalle license renewal application, [are available on the NRC website](#). The NRC's Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards also [reviewed the staff's work](#).

Renewal of LaSalle's operating licenses brings to 85 the number of commercial nuclear power reactors with renewed licenses (two of those have since permanently shut down). Applications for an additional 10 renewals are currently under review. Information about these reviews can be found on the [NRC website](#).