



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

August 29, 2019

SECRETARY

Mr. Lawrence H. (Pompey) Delafield  
President  
Six Ponds Improvement Association  
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Plymouth, MA 02360

Dear Mr. Delafield:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of August 20, 2019, to the Commission regarding the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station license transfer request from Entergy and Holtec (Docket Nos. 50-593 and 72-1044). In your letter, you request that the NRC delay its decision on the license transfer application until after the Commission rules upon the license transfer intervention petition filed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The license transfer was approved on August 22, 2019.

Because your letter bears on the contested adjudication pending before the Commission, it would be inappropriate for the Commissioners to discuss or comment on the matter at this time. This is because the Commission must remain impartial during the pendency of the adjudication.

A copy of your letter and this response will be served on the participants in the Pilgrim license transfer proceeding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Richard J. Laufer", is positioned above the typed name.

Richard J. Laufer  
Acting Secretary



August 20, 2019

Commissioners for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
& Kristine L. Svinicki, President  
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Re: Transfer of license for the Plymouth Pilgrim Nuclear Plant

Dear Commissioners,

We are asking you to table any consideration of transferring the licenses for the Plymouth Pilgrim Nuclear Plant until you have openly and completely answered the concerns outlined by Pilgrim Watch, Sen. Ed Markey, and the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The Six Ponds Improvement Association is a neighborhood organization representing a community of approximately 500 residences within the Town of Plymouth and 5 miles from the subject plant. Your actions will have a direct and long lasting effect on the health, welfare, and ultimate viability of our community.

We support the motions of Pilgrim Watch and the Commonwealth to stay the effectiveness of an order approving the license transfer. We request that there be NO license transfer without an open and diligent assessment of the prospective transferee. We cannot overstate the importance of this request and ask that this letter be entered into your files.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence H. (Pompey) Delafield, President  
Six Ponds Improvement Association  
76 Morgan Road, Plymouth, Ma 02360

CC:

Senator Edward Markey  
Senator Elizabeth Warren  
Representative William Keating  
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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)	
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ENTERGY NUCLEAR OPERATIONS, INC.	)	
ENTERGY NUCLEAR GENERATION	)	Docket Nos. 50-293 and 72-1044 LT
COMPANY, HOLTEC INTERNATIONAL,	)	
and HOLTEC DECOMMISSIONING	)	
INTERNATIONAL, LLC	)	
	)	
(Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station	)	

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing **Letter from NRC Acting Secretary, Richard J. Laufer, to Lawrence H. Delafield** have been served upon the following persons by Electronic Information Exchange.

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Dated at Rockville, Maryland,  
this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019