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NRC ACCEPTS APPLICATION FOR EARLY SITE PERMIT AT PSEG SITE IN NEW JERSEY

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has accepted for review the Early Site Permit (ESP) application for the PSEG site near Salem, N.J.

The applicants, PSEG Power and PSEG Nuclear, submitted the application and associated information on May 25. The ESP process determines whether a site is suitable for future construction and operation of a nuclear power plant. The application, minus proprietary and security-related details, is available on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors/esp/pseg.html>.

PSEG's ESP application seeks resolution of safety and environmental issues for the site, approximately seven miles southwest of Salem. Docketing the PSEG application does not indicate whether the Commission will approve or reject the request. The NRC has established docket number 52-043 for this application.

In the near future the NRC will publish in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to intervene in the required adjudicatory hearing. Petitions to intervene in a hearing must be filed within 60 days of the notice, by anyone whose interest may be affected by the proposed permit and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding. More information on the hearing process is available on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/adjudicatory/hearing.html>.

More information about the new reactor licensing process is available on the NRC Web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-reactors.html>.

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