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NRC Makes Available Diablo Canyon Nuclear Plant License Renewal Application

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has made <u>available</u> an application from Pacific Gas & Electric to renew the operating licenses for Diablo Canyon Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, in Avila Beach, California.

PG&E filed on Nov. 7 an application seeking to renew the licenses for an additional 20 years of operation. Diablo Canyon's pressurized-water reactors, about 12 miles southwest of San Luis Obispo, are currently licensed to operate through Nov. 2, 2024, for Unit 1 and through Aug. 26, 2025, for Unit 2.

The NRC staff is reviewing the application to determine if it is sufficiently complete to begin the agency's extensive safety and environmental reviews. If the application is determined to be complete, the staff will docket it and publish a notice of opportunity to request an adjudicatory hearing before the NRC's Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. The reactors' licenses will then remain valid, under an <u>exemption</u> from agency regulations, until the agency's review is complete.

Information about the license renewal process is available on the <u>NRC website</u>. A copy of the Diablo Canyon license renewal application will be available at the San Luis Obispo Library, 995 Palm St. in San Luis Obispo.