



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### DRAFT Section 401 Water Quality Certification # 2016-NRC-001 for the Seabrook Station Nuclear Power Plant is available for public comment

**Dear Interested Party or Stakeholder:** In accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1341) and NH RSA 485-A:12, III, a draft Water Quality Certification (WQC) for the Activity described below is now available for public review and comment on the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) website at;

[http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/section401/coe\\_ind.htm](http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/section401/coe_ind.htm)

The draft certification states that based on the facts, findings and conditions in the certification, NHDES has determined that there is reasonable assurance that construction and operation of the proposed Activity will not violate State surface water quality standards.

**Activity Description:** NextEra Energy Seabrook LLC (Applicant) is currently authorized by the federal U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Operating License NPF-86 to operate Seabrook Station thru March 15, 2030. On May 25, 2010, the Applicant submitted an application to the NRC to issue a renewed operating license for Seabrook Station for an additional 20 years (to March 15, 2050). The Activity includes operation of Seabrook Station, a single unit (Unit 1) 1245 net megawatt nuclear-powered steam electric generating facility that has been in operation since 1990 and all appurtenant infrastructure located in the towns of Seabrook, Hampton and Hampton Falls, New Hampshire on the western shore of Hampton Harbor and approximately two miles west of the Atlantic Ocean. The Activity includes operation of two existing, approximately three mile long, tunnels drilled in the ocean bedrock which bring water to and from the Atlantic Ocean for cooling and other plant systems as well as operation of appurtenant roads, parking lots and utilities, including control of stormwater runoff.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING COMMENTS:** Comments will be accepted until **4 pm on July 22, 2016**. Only written comments will be accepted. Comments may be sent by postal mail, email or fax. Please include the project name/certification number, your name, and organization; mailing address, email address and telephone number with your submittal.

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