

## State News for NSPE Members

### **TVA Proposing New Natural Gas Plant in Mississippi**

The Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) has proposed building a simple cycle combustion turbine (CT) plant at the TVA-owned land known as the New Caledonia (NCG) Site, a brownfield location in Mississippi where a privately-run gas-fired plant operated until 2007, [Power Engineering reports](#).

The NCG Site is an approximately 63-acre existing parcel of federally owned property managed by TVA in Lowndes, Mississippi, located 10 miles northeast of Columbus. The site is a former CT facility, originally constructed in 1998 and operated for several years by a private company. The company dismantled the site in 2007, removing the existing six frame CTs.

The study area for the proposed action is 145 acres and includes the entire proposed combustion turbine property as well as the adjacent substation property, which remains in operation. TVA is considering constructing and operating an approximately 500-MW combustion turbine facility at the same brownfield location as the previous generating facility, which would allow TVA to utilize existing natural gas and transmission infrastructure.

TVA has issued a Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to address the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed construction and operation of the plant at the NCG site. TVA is seeking comments from the public on what should be included in the environmental review for the project. [Read more](#).

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### **Upcoming Deadline for Biennial Licensure Renewal Process**

Effective immediately, the [Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Surveyors](#) has initiated a biennial (every two years) renewal process in connection to changes made to Rules 5.2 and 15.3 of the Rules and Regulations for the Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and

Surveyors.

With this change, the board approved a two-phase approach for the renewals. Individuals licensed in odd years will be the first renewed under the new system. Individuals licensed in even years will initially be renewed for one year (and will renew biennial next cycle). **Fees for license renewal will double for those who are being licensed for the biennial process.** The licensure system will automatically display the applicable renewal fee.

Online licensure renewal for 2024 began on October 1, 2023, and continues through December 31, 2023. **Licenses which are not renewed within this time frame will be considered expired, after December 31.** Expired license renewals will be accepted through June 30 of the following year (with the appropriate late fee applied).

Email notices about the updated license renewal process were distributed earlier this month. See the notice at this [link](#) for additional information.

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