Unit 1 at Susquehanna Nuclear Power Plant Disconnected from Grid for Valve Repair

BERWICK, Pa., July 21, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Operators disconnected Unit 1 at PPL Corporation's Susquehanna nuclear power plant in northeastern Pennsylvania from the regional power grid Sunday (7/21) to repair one of four valves that control the amount of steam going into the turbine.

"Repairing the valve reflects our conservative approach to operating the plant safely and reliably," said Timothy S. Rausch, PPL Susquehanna senior vice president and Chief Nuclear Officer. "The repair also supports optimal performance of the unit during the summer months when the demand for power is high."

PPL expects to complete the repairs and reconnect Unit 1 to the power grid soon. Unit 2 continues to operate at full power. Both Susquehanna units have a generating capacity of about 1,300 megawatts.

The Susquehanna plant, located in Luzerne County about seven miles north of Berwick, is owned jointly by PPL Susquehanna LLC and Allegheny Electric Cooperative Inc. and is operated by PPL Susquehanna.

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