

**CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING**  
**ON NUCLEAR ISSUES AFFECTING LAKE MICHIGAN**  
**Wednesday April 7, 2021, 3 p.m. Eastern Time Zone**

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**INVITED:**

- The U.S. Senators from the states of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin, and their appropriate staff
- Selected U.S. Representatives from the states of Michigan, Illinois and Wisconsin, and their appropriate staff
- Members of the media and front-line communities

Special Congressional Briefing concerning nuclear power issues directly affecting Lake Michigan. The session will consist of 45 minutes of expert briefing, followed by a question and answer period. Printed and online resources will be made available after the event. The session will be recorded; an edited version will be made available, along with the session Chat.

**Presenters:**

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- David Kraft, Nuclear Energy Information Service (NEIS); 773-342-7650; [neis@neis.org](mailto:neis@neis.org)

**Proposed Agenda**

- **The Palisades Nuclear Power Plant, Michigan – Kevin Kamps, Beyond Nuclear.** Takoma Park, MD (15 mins.)
  - Operational issues through end of license
  - Proposed reactor license transfer to HOLTEC International
  - Siting and security issues on Lake Michigan
- **The Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant, Wisconsin – Hannah Mortensen, Ann Behrmann, M.D,** Physicians for Social Responsibility, Madison, WI (15 mins.)
  - Damage to Lake Michigan aquatic environment from lack of cooling towers
  - Accident potential with proposed extension of operating license to 80 years; and reactor embrittlement
  - Economic impacts and viable energy alternatives
- **Failure of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to regulate assertively and responsibly in the public interest – Michael Keegan and David Kraft** (15 mins.)
  - NRC – the captured DE-regulator
  - Proposal to extend reactor operating licenses up to 100 years
  - Inconsistent actions and inspections, lack of autopsies, regarding the reactor embrittlement issue
  - Unwillingness to address serious financial issues regarding operation and decommissioning of lake Michigan reactors
  - Incompetence regarding public participation and formal intervention into licensing and decommissioning proceedings
- **Questions and Discussion**

- **Follow-up Actions**