

Testifying before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee in October, Phillips pledged to seek “balance” between reliability, affordability, and sustainability. According to

former FERC member Neil Chatterjee, a Republican, Phillips is “not going to have a political agenda and drive things one way or another because it favors a political party.”

POWER UPDATES

Boost for Millstone’s Unit 3 approved

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has granted Dominion Energy’s request for an increase in the generating capacity of Millstone-3. The Richmond, Va.–based utility had applied for the power uprate last November, requesting an increase of approximately 1.6 percent.

NRC staff determined that Dominion could safely increase the reactor’s heat output, primarily through more accurate means of measuring feedwater flow, according to a November

18 press release. The NRC’s safety evaluation focused on several areas, including the nuclear steam supply systems, instrumentation and control systems, electrical systems, accident evaluations, radiological consequences, fire protection, operations and training, testing, and technical specification changes.

Located in Waterford, Conn., the Millstone plant houses two operating reactors: Unit 2, an 883-MWe pressurized water reactor, and Unit

Power & Operations continues

Job Opportunity: Director – San Rafael Energy Research Center

Utah State University (USU) and the Utah Office of Energy Development (OED) are seeking to hire a full-time, Director of the San Rafael Energy Research Center (Business Consultant Lead). Application review will begin on November 1, 2021, but the position will remain open until filled. Estimated start date is sometime in December 2021. The person in this position will work with the Utah OED, USU, Emery County, and others to develop, oversee, and/or implement leadership for the management and execution of program activities at the Center. The Director will work collaboratively to establish research priorities and to help expand development programs. The Director will oversee the performance of multidisciplinary outcomes-focused research within the energy and mineral environment in areas identified as pivotal to the Center’s core goals. This position will create a Board of Directors to deliver the Center’s vision. Additionally, the Director will work with the Utah Office of Energy Development to identify opportunities for new advanced energy technology and energy innovation at the Center.

Preferred Qualifications: PhD Degree in science, engineering, or business.

Advertised Salary: Commensurate with experience, plus excellent benefits

The full Job listing can be found at:

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