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FACT SHEET
TOWN MEETING ARTICLE 32:
LIMIT STORAGE OF NUCLEAR WASTE AT PILGRIM

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- Article 32 is advisory only; No cost to Town.
- Recommends that town officials try to get a commitment from **Entergy that it will not take nuclear waste from other nuclear power stations** and will only store nuclear waste produced by Pilgrim's operations.
- Having a vote on this Article **gives the community a chance to have their voices heard** on Entergy plans to store nuclear waste at Pilgrim for the indefinite future.
- **Recent poll** shows 4 out of 6 people interviewed listed Entergy's **nuclear waste storage as a top issue** in 2014; 33% of people polled said it was the top issue in 2013. (See Supporting Document #1, *Old Colony* poll)
- Residents and Board of Selectmen **have raised concerns** that Entergy would use Pilgrim to store nuclear waste from other sites. Entergy has not committed to exclude waste from other sites.
- At a public meeting on Oct. 8th, Selectmen **asked Entergy for a written commitment** that it would not take nuclear waste from other sites. Entergy **would not provide** a written commitment. (See Supporting Document #2, page 6)
- Article 32 is consistent with an existing U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulation that limits Energy nuclear waste that produced by Pilgrim's operations, but the **NRC regularly changes its regulations**. Article 32 sends a message to the NRC and Entergy that the community wishes to limit the amount of nuclear waste stored on site.