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SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT 1, RE: ISSUANCE
OF AMENDMENT FOR THE QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM
(TAC NO. MA6302)

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Sincerely,

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Docket No. 50-003

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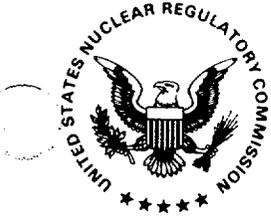
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CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-003

INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 46
License No. DPR-5

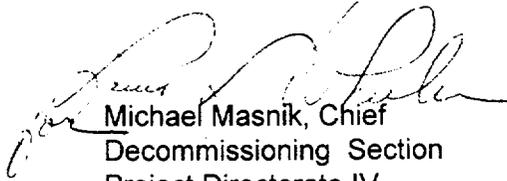
1. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that
 - A. The application for amendment by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (the licensee), dated July 20, 1999, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations, and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
2. Accordingly, License No. DPR-5 is hereby amended to approve the changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-5 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 46 , are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance to be implemented within 30 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



Michael Masnik, Chief
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Division of Licensing Project Management
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: December 15, 1999

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 46

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-5

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Replace the following pages of the Appendix A Technical Specifications with the attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

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- f. **The Nuclear Facilities Safety Committee shall function to provide independent review and audit of designated activities in areas of nuclear engineering, chemistry, radiochemistry, metallurgy and non-destructive testing, instrumentation and control, radiological safety, mechanical and electrical engineering, administrative controls and quality assurance activities, and radiological environmental effects.**
- g. **All fuel handling shall be under the direct supervision of a licensed operator.***
- h. **The Senior Watch Supervisor is responsible for operations at the Unit No. 1 facility.**
- i. **The qualification requirements of the Operations Manager and the Assistant Operations Manager are provided in Sections 6.2.2 and 6.3 of Appendix A to the Indian Point Unit No. 2 Facility Operating License No. DPR-26.**

* Licensed operator for IP-2

3.3 Operating Instructions and Procedures

- 3.3.1 **No fuel will be loaded into the reactor core or moved into the reactor containment building without prior review and authorization by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.**
- 3.3.2 **Detailed written instruction setting forth procedures used in connection with the operation and maintenance of the nuclear power plant shall conform to the Technical Specifications.**
- 3.3.3 **Operation and maintenance of equipment related to safety when there is no fuel in the reactor shall be in accordance with written instructions.**



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 46 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-5
CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.
INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT 1
DOCKET NO. 50-003

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated July 20, 1999, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. (Con Edison or the licensee), submitted a license amendment for Indian Point Nuclear Generating Station, Unit 1 (IP1) to change Technical Specification (TS) 3.2.1.i to reflect a proposed organizational change pertaining to the unit staff. The proposed change would no longer require the Operations Manager (OM) to hold a Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) license at the time of initial appointment to the position and would allow either the OM or the Assistant Operations Manager (AOM) to hold a license to meet the requirement of 10 CFR 50.54(l) that the licensee "...shall designate individuals to be responsible for directing the licensed activities of licensed operators. These individuals shall be licensed as senior operators...."

2.0 EVALUATION

The description of the AOM position contained in the submittal of July 20, 1999, indicates that the position is equivalent to an "Operation Middle Manager" as defined in American National Standards Institute /American Nuclear Society (ANSI/ANS) standards. However, Con Edison states that the AOM meets all the qualification requirements of ANSI N18.1-1971 except for the SRO license requirement, which in accordance with the TS, will allow an individual who does not hold a current SRO license to be appointed as OM or AOM, provided all the other qualification requirements of ANSI N18.1-1971 are met.

Con Edison transmitted¹ the proposed changes to the Indian Point Unit 2 (IP2) TS, which included a revision to Sections 6.6.2.h and 6.3.1 to change the SRO requirement for the OM. The change of July 20, 1999, to the IP1 TS provides a similar change to TS 3.2.1.i.

Currently, IP1 TS 3.2.1.i states the following:

"The Operations Manager shall hold a senior reactor operator license.*
*Licensed operator for IP-2"

¹Con Edison Letter from A. A. Blind, to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk, Subject: "Proposed Amendment Consisting Of Administrative Changes To The Technical Specifications," dated January 22, 1999.

This submittal proposes to change IP1 TS 3.2.1.i to read as follows:

"The qualification requirements of the Operations Manager and the Assistant Operations Manager are provided in Sections 6.2.2 and 6.3 of the Indian Point Unit 2 Technical Specifications."

The IP1 proposed amendment would revise TS 3.2.1.i to achieve consistency with the IP2 amendment. The amendment would change the requirement that the OM or AOM must be a licensed SRO. The revision would allow an individual who does not hold a current SRO to be appointed as the OM or the AOM, provided all other qualification requirements of ANSI N18.1-1971 are met.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the New York State official was notified of the proposed issuance of this amendment. The State official had no comment on this action.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment changes record keeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment needs to be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded on the basis of the considerations previously discussed above that (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Date: December 15, 1999