

July 14, 2000

LICENSEE: AmerGen Energy Company, LLC
FACILITY: Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (TMI-1)
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JUNE 13, 2000, MEETING WITH AMERGEN ENERGY COMPANY, LLC, REGARDING STATUS OF LICENSING ISSUES AT TMI-1

On June 13, 2000, a public meeting was held between the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and AmerGen Energy Company, LLC (AmerGen or the licensee), at the TMI Training Center, Route 441 South, Middletown, PA. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the quarterly status and completion schedule of active, and soon to be submitted, TMI-1 licensing issues. Enclosure 1 is a list of attendees. Enclosure 2 is a copy of the licensee's handout used at the meeting.

Major changes since the previous meeting in February 2000:

A number of AmerGen license change applications have been delayed since the schedule provided during the February meeting. For some of these, the licensee has appropriately extended the date they requested NRC approval, but for some applications necessary to support the fall 2001 refueling outage, the licensee has not been able to extend the requested approval date. The licensee was requested to provide those applications as early as possible and to identify any applicable precedent NRC approvals on other dockets in order to facilitate NRC staff review.

Completed NRC staff licensing actions:

The NRC staff issued Amendment No. 221 on March 10, 2000, in response to the licensee's License Amendment Request 281. This amendment approved a revision to the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report for use of the Conservative Deterministic Failure Margin methodology for seismic analysis of the portions of the auxiliary steam lines located in the Auxiliary, Control, and Fuel Handling buildings at TMI-1. The related TAC (task assignment control) Number, MA5617, was closed.

The NRC staff issued Amendment No. 222 on March 14, 2000, in response to the licensee's Technical Specification (TS) Change Request 275. This amendment made minor administrative changes to the operating license and included a Bases change to TS 3.1.1. The related TAC Number, MA5455, was closed.

The NRC staff approved 7 reliefs on April 27, 2000, from American Society for Mechanical Engineers Code, Section XI, IWE and IWL containment penetration requirements in response to the licensee's January 28, 2000, application. The related TAC Number, MA8118, was closed.

Other major changes:

The licensee identified several licensing action requests which it has not yet submitted and reviewed its proposed submittal schedules and requested review completion dates. The licensee plans to submit 13 licensing action requests before the end of the fiscal year and an equal or greater number the following fiscal year. The licensee plans to request a 6-month or shorter turn around time on the review of about half of the actions expected this fiscal year with an average request time of 8 months. The Project Manager indicated that the agency's ability to respond to the licensee's requested review schedules would depend on the quality, completeness, and complexity of the submittals, including the identification of similar precedent reviews at other plants, the available staff resources, and competing priorities with the reviews of other licensees' requests.

The expected licensing action requests include a revised main-steam-line break analysis and request for increased TS allowable primary coolant reactivity, once-through steam generator (SG) inspection criteria, a revised SG tube rupture accident analysis, an emergency diesel generator (EDG) surveillance interval extension to 24 months, an EDG allowed outage time increase, changes to the control building ventilation TSs, and a contingency request to extend the current cycle 14 restrictions with respect to emergency safeguards system leakage limits in the event that generic resolution of control room habitability issues cannot be reached with the industry prior to TS expiration.

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