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SUBJECT: SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2
(TAC NOS. 79993 AND 79999)

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A copy of our Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's Biweekly Federal Register Notice.

Sincerely,

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Richard J. Clark, Project Manager
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ALLEGHENY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-388

SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 77
License No. NPF-22

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) having found that:

   A. The application for the amendment filed by the Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, dated February 7, 1991 complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's 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 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 set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;

   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, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of the Facility Operating License No. NPF-22 is hereby amended to read as follows:

   (2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

   The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 77 and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated in the license. PP&L shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

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3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Walter R. Butler, Director
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Attachment:
Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: May 16, 1991

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 108

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-14

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Replace the following pages of the Appendix A Technical Specifications with enclosed pages. The revised pages are identified by Amendment number and contain vertical lines indicating the area of change. The overleaf page is provided to maintain document completeness.*

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6.2.3 NUCLEAR SAFETY ASSESSMENT GROUP (NSAG)

FUNCTION

6.2.3.1 The NSAG shall function to examine unit operating characteristics, NRC issuances, industry advisories, Licensee Event Reports, and other sources of plant design and operating experience information, including plants of similar design, which may indicate areas for improving plant safety.

COMPOSITION

6.2.3.2 The NSAG shall be composed of at least five dedicated, full-time engineers with at least three located onsite, each with a bachelor's degree in engineering or related science and at least two years professional level experience in his field, at least one year of which experience shall be in the nuclear field.

RESPONSIBILITIES

6.2.3.3 The NSAG shall be responsible for maintaining surveillance of unit activities to provide independent verification* that these activities are performed correctly and that human errors are reduced as much as practical.

AUTHORITY

6.2.3.4 The NSAG shall make detailed recommendations for revised procedures, equipment modifications, maintenance activities, operations activities, or other means of improving unit safety to the Senior Vice President-Nuclear.

6.2.4 SHIFT TECHNICAL ADVISOR

6.2.4.1 The Shift Technical Advisor shall provide technical support to the Shift Supervisor in the areas of thermal hydraulics, reactor engineering, and plant analysis with regard to the safe operation of the unit.

6.3 UNIT STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

6.3.1 Each member of the unit staff shall meet or exceed the minimum qualifications of ANSI N18.1-1971 for comparable positions and the supplemental requirements specified in Section A and C of Enclosure 1 of the March 28, 1980 NRC letter to all licensees, except for the Radiological Protection Supervisor or Health Physics/Chemistry Supervisor who shall meet or exceed the qualifications of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September 1975, and the shift Technical Advisor who shall meet or exceed the qualifications referred to in Section 2.2.1.b of Enclosure 1 of the October 30, 1979 NRC letter to all operating nuclear power plants.

6.4 TRAINING

6.4.1 A retraining and replacement training program for the unit staff shall be maintained under the direction of the Manager - Nuclear Training, shall meet or exceed the requirements and recommendations of Section 5.5 of ANSI N18.1-1971 and Appendix "A" of 10 CFR Part 55 and the supplemental requirements specified in Section A and C of Enclosure 1 of the March 28, 1980 NRC letter to all licensees, and shall include familiarization with relevant industry operational experience.

*Not responsible for sign-off function.

6.5 REVIEW AND AUDIT

6.5.1 PLANT OPERATIONS REVIEW COMMITTEE (PORC)

FUNCTION

6.5.1.1 The PORC shall function to advise the Superintendent of Plant-Susquehanna on matters related to nuclear safety as described in Specification 6.5.1.6.

COMPOSITION

6.5.1.2 The PORC shall be composed of the:

Chairman:	Superintendent of Plant-Susquehanna
Member:	Assistant Superintendent - Outages
Member:	Supervisor of Operations
Member:	Technical Supervisor
Member:	Supervisor of Maintenance
Member:	I&C/Computer Supervisor
Member:	Reactor Engineering Supervisor or Unit Reactor Engineer
Member:	Shift Supervisor or Unit Supervisor
Member:	Health Physics Supervisor
Member:	Chemistry Supervisor

ALTERNATES

6.5.1.3 All alternate members shall be appointed in writing by the PORC Chairman to serve on a temporary basis; however, no more than two alternates shall participate as voting members in PORC activities at any one time.

MEETING FREQUENCY

6.5.1.4 The PORC shall meet at least once per calendar month and as convened by the PORC Chairman or his designated alternate.

QUORUM

6.5.1.5 The quorum of the PORC necessary for the performance of the PORC responsibility and authority provisions of these Technical Specifications shall consist of the Chairman or his designated alternate and four members including alternates.

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PENNSYLVANIA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

ALLEGHENY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

DOCKET NO. 50-387

SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 108
License No. NPF-14

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) having found that:

   A. The application for the amendment filed by the Pennsylvania Power & Light Company, dated February 7, 1991 complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;

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   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, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of the Facility Operating License No. NPF-14 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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6.1 RESPONSIBILITY

6.1.1 The Superintendent of Plant - Susquehanna shall be responsible for overall unit operation and shall delegate in writing the succession of this responsibility during his absence.

6.1.2 The Shift Supervisor or, during his absence from the Control Room, a designated individual, shall be responsible for the Control Room command function. A management directive to this effect, signed by the Senior Vice President - Nuclear shall be reissued to all station personnel on an annual basis.

6.2 ORGANIZATION

6.2.1 OFFSITE AND ONSITE ORGANIZATIONS

Onsite and offsite organizations shall be established for unit operation and corporate management, respectively. The onsite and offsite organizations shall include the positions for activities affecting the safety of the nuclear power plant.

a. Lines of authority, responsibility, and communication shall be established and defined for the highest management levels through intermediate levels to and including all operating organization positions. These relationships shall be documented and updated, as appropriate, in the form of organization charts, functional descriptions of department responsibilities and relationships, and job descriptions for key personnel positions, or in equivalent forms of documentation. These requirements shall be documented in FSAR Section 13.1.

b. The Superintendent of Plant-SSES shall be responsible for overall unit safe operation and shall have control over those onsite activities necessary for safe operation and maintenance of the plant.

c. The Senior Vice President-Nuclear shall have corporate responsibility for overall plant nuclear safety and shall take any measures needed to ensure acceptable performance of the staff in operating, maintaining, and providing technical support to the plant to ensure nuclear safety.

d. The individuals who train the operating staff and those who carry out health physics and quality assurance functions may report to the appropriate onsite manager; however, they shall have sufficient organizational freedom to ensure their independence from operating pressures.

6.2.2 UNIT STAFF

a. Each on duty shift shall be composed of at least the minimum shift crew composition shown in Table 6.2.2-1.

b. At least one licensed Reactor Operator assigned to and qualified on that unit shall be in the control room when fuel is in the reactor. In addition, while the reactor is in OPERATIONAL CONDITION 1, 2 or 3, at least one licensed Senior Reactor Operator qualified on this unit shall be in the Control Room. This individual may be qualified on both units and be serving in this capacity on both units.

UNIT STAFF (Continued)

c. A health physics technician* shall be onsite when fuel is in the reactor.

d. All CORE ALTERATIONS shall be observed and directly supervised by either a licensed Senior Reactor Operator or Senior Reactor Operator Limited to Fuel Handling who has no other concurrent responsibilities during this operation.

e. A site Fire Brigade of at least five members shall be maintained onsite at all times*. The Fire Brigade shall not include the Shift Supervisor and the two other members of the minimum shift crew necessary for safe shutdown of the unit and any personnel required for other essential functions during a fire emergency.

f. Administrative procedures shall be developed and implemented to limit the working hours of unit staff who perform safety-related functions; e.g., senior reactor operators, reactor operators, health physicists, auxiliary operators, and key maintenance personnel.

Adequate shift coverage shall be maintained without routine heavy use of overtime. However, in the event that unforeseen problems require substantial amounts of overtime to be used, or during extended periods of shutdown for refueling, major maintenance or major plant modifications, on a temporary basis, the following guidelines shall be followed:

1. A individual should not be permitted to work more than 16 hours straight, excluding shift turnover time.

2. An individual should not be permitted to work more than 16 hours in any 24-hour period, nor more than 24 hours in any 48-hour period, nor more than 72 hours in any seven day period, all excluding shift turnover time.

3. A break of at least eight hours should be allowed between work periods, including shift turnover time.

4. Except during extended shutdown periods, the use of overtime should be considered on an individual basis and not for the entire staff on a shift.

Any deviation from the above guidelines shall be authorized by the Superintendent of Plant-Susquehanna or his deputy, or higher levels of management, in accordance with established procedures and with documentation of the basis for granting the deviation. Controls shall be included in the procedures such that individual overtime shall be reviewed monthly by the Superintendent of Plant-Susquehanna or his designee to assure that excessive hours have not been assigned. Routine deviation from the above guidelines is not authorized.

g. The Supervisor of Operations shall hold a Senior Reactor Operator License.

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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 108 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-14

AMENDMENT NO. 77 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-22

PENNSYLVANIA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

ALLEGHENY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-387 AND 388

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated February 7, 1991, the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company (PP&L) and Allegheny Electric Cooperative, Inc. (the licensees) submitted a request for changes to the Susquehanna Steam Electric Station, Unit 1 and 2, Technical Specifications (TS). The requested changes would change the Technical Specifications (TSs) to revise the composition of the Plant Operations Review Committee (PORC) and to make a minor editorial change to the Unit 2 TSs to remove a reference to a figure previously deleted. Specifically, the proposed changes to the TSs are as follows:

- Remove the positions of Assistant Superintendent-Susquehanna and Health Physics/Chemistry Supervisory from the listing of members of the PORC in Section 6.5.1.2.

- Add the positions of Health Physics Supervisor and Chemistry Supervisor to the listing of members to the PORC in Section 6.5.1.2.

- Remove the reference to Figure 6.2.2-1 in Section 6.2.2 of the Unit 2 Technical Specification. This is an editorial change which poses no impact on safe operation of the Units.

2.0 EVALUATION

The proposed changes to the composition of the PORC reflect organizational changes within the PP&L Nuclear Department. The proposed changes maintain a membership having a combination of education, training, experience and skills commensurate with their functional level of responsibility, thereby providing reasonable assurance that their decisions and actions will be such that the plant is operated in a safe and efficient manner. The position of Assistant Superintendent-Susquehanna was not staffed by an individual requiring specific expertise that could not be provided by the other PORC members. Having separate PORC members for Health Physics and Chemistry will increase

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the consideration of radiation protection and corrosion control in PORC deliberations. Therefore, the proposed changes do not diminish the PORC's ability to perform its functions and are administrative in nature and as such pose no impact on the safe operation of Susquehanna SES.

The proposed changes to the TSs are acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Pennsylvania State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State official had no comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendments relate to changes in recordkeeping, or administrative procedures or requirements.

Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 61.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement nor environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendments.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations 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 amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Date: May 16, 1991