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E910-01-0076
January 18, 2001

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Subject: Saxton Nuclear Electric Corporation Facility (SNEC)
Facility License No. DPR-4
Docket No. 50-146
Supplement to Technical Specification Change Request No. 61

In accordance with 10 C.F.R. 50.4(b)(1), please find enclosed a request to amend Facility License No. DPR-4.

This submittal replaces Technical Specification change request No. 61 previously submitted by letter E910-00-0075 dated November 30, 2000. Further, it provides the additional information requested by your letter dated January 8, 2001.

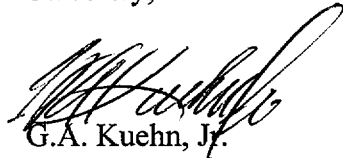
The proposed license amendment reflects an administrative name change from 'GPU Nuclear Corporation' to 'GPU Nuclear, Inc.' This same change has been previously made to other licenses held by GPU Nuclear, but a change to License DPR-4 was omitted. The NRC has previously reviewed the name change and has determined that it does not affect the corporate existence or obligations of the licensee, and involves no significant hazards considerations and no significant environmental impacts. There are no commitments made in this submittal.

This application has been reviewed pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 50.91(a)(1) and an analysis supporting a determination of no significant hazards is included. Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. 50.91(b), copies of this application and supporting analysis, which indicates that no significant hazards consideration is involved, have been provided to the designated representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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GPU Nuclear requests that the amendment be made effective upon issuance. If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this license amendment, please contact Mr. James Byrne at (717) 948-8461.

Sincerely,



G.A. Kuehn, Jr.
Vice President, SNEC and
Program Director, SNEC Facility

Attachments: 1) Evaluation of Changes
2) Revised License Pages
3) Certificate of Service

cc: Administrator, NRC Region 1 – Hubert J. Miller
NRC Project Manager – Alexander X. Adams
NRC Project Scientist, Region I – Thomas F. Dragoun
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Attachment 1

Evaluation of Changes

I. LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST

GPU Nuclear, Inc. (GPU Nuclear) requests that the License be revised to reflect the administrative change to the Company's name from GPU Nuclear Corporation to GPU Nuclear, Inc.

II. REASONS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES

The company name was changed from GPU Nuclear Corporation to GPU Nuclear, Inc. References to the former name have been replaced with GPU Nuclear, Inc.

III. DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE AND SAFETY EVALUATION JUSTIFYING CHANGES

In the heading of the license, change "GPU Nuclear Corporation" to "GPU Nuclear, Inc."

In paragraph 1.C. of the license, change "GPU Nuclear Corporation" to "GPU Nuclear, Inc."

In paragraph 2.B. of the license, change "GPU Nuclear Corporation (GPU Nuclear)" to "GPU Nuclear, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as GPU Nuclear)"

This is an administrative name change from GPU Nuclear Corporation to GPU Nuclear, Inc. The change does not alter the corporate existence of the company, any of its obligations, responsibilities or liabilities, or the operation, maintenance or decommissioning of the facility.

The NRC has previously reviewed amendments made to other licenses to reflect this administrative name change. As the NRC has previously determined, the name change does not affect the corporate existence of the licensee, and all legal characteristics other than the legal name of the company remain the same. The State of incorporation, registered agent, registered office, directors, officers, rights and liabilities of GPU Nuclear have not and will not change as a result of the amendment. Similarly, the name change does not alter the function of GPU Nuclear or the way it does business. There will be no alteration of any of the existing license conditions, and no change in GPU Nuclear's ability to comply with any licensing conditions or any other obligation or responsibility under the license. There will be no impact on the safe operation of the facility. See 62 Fed. Reg. 66399 (1997) and 63 Fed. Reg. 20223 (1998).

IV. No Significant Hazards Considerations.

The NRC has previously determined that similar amendments reflecting this name change have involved no significant hazards consideration. See 62 Fed. Reg. 4341, 4350 (1997) and 62 Fed. Reg. 59912, 59915 (1997).

Consistent with these prior NRC determinations, GPU Nuclear has determined that the License Amendment involves no significant hazards considerations as defined in 10 C.F.R. 50.92

1. The proposed changes to the Saxton License do not involve a significant increase in the probability of occurrence or consequences of an accident or malfunction of equipment important to safety previously analyzed in the safety analysis report. The changes have no impact on plant operations or the release of radioactive materials.
2. The proposed changes to the Saxton License will not create the possibility for an accident or malfunction of a different type than any previously evaluated in the safety analysis report because no plant configuration or operation changes are involved.
3. The changes will not involve a significant reduction in the margin of safety as defined in the basis of any technical specification for Saxton because no change to operational limits will be made.

V. IMPLEMENTATION

GPU Nuclear requests that the amendment become effective immediately upon issuance.

ATTACHMENT 2
Revised License Pages

GPU NUCLEAR CORPORATION, Inc.

SAXTON NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTAL CORPORATION

DOCKET NO. 50-146

AMENDED FACILITY LICENSE

Amendment No. 8
License No. DPR-4

1. The Atomic Energy Commission ("the Commission") has found that:
 - A. The application, as amended, complies with the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended ("the Act"), and the regulations of the Commission set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amended facility license can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the regulations in 10 CFR Part 50;
 - C. GPU Nuclear ~~Corporation~~, *Inc.* is technically qualified, and Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation is financially qualified, to engage in the activities authorized by the amended license in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - D. Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation has furnished proof of financial protection which satisfied the requirements of 10 CFR Part 140; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.
2. Operating License No. DPR-4, as amended, is hereby amended in its entirety to read:
 - A. This license applies to the pressurized water reactor (hereinafter referred to as the "Saxton facility") owned by Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "SNEC"), located north of the Borough of Saxton in Liberty Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, and described in Amendment No. 5 dated April 19, 1961, and amendments thereto, including the amendment dated April 14, 1972, to Saxton Facility's license application.

B. Subject to the conditions and requirements incorporated herein, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission hereby licenses GPU Nuclear ~~Corporation~~, *Inc. (hereinafter referred to as GPU Nuclear)* and SNEC as follows:

- (1) GPU Nuclear, pursuant to Section 104b of the Act and 10 CFR Part 50, "Domestic Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities", is licensed to possess, manage, use, and maintain, but not to operate, the Saxton facility at the designated location in Liberty Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in the facility license;
- (2) SNEC, pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Part 50, is licensed to possess, but not to manage, use, and maintain, or operate, the Saxton facility at the designated location in Liberty Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania, in accordance with the procedures and limitations set forth in the facility license; and
- (3) GPU Nuclear, pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Part 30, "Rules of General Applicability to Domestic Licensing of Byproduct Material", is licensed to possess, but not to separate, such byproduct material as may have been produced by operation of the Saxton facility.

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C. This license shall be deemed to contain and be subject to the conditions specified in Part 20, Section 30.34 of part 30, Sections 50.54, and 50.59 of Part 50, 10 CFR Chapter I, and to all applicable provisions of the Act and to the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission now or hereafter in effect, and to the additional conditions specified below:

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- (1) GPU Nuclear shall not reactivate the facility without prior approval of the Commission.
- (2) The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 16, are hereby incorporated in the license. SNEC and GPU Nuclear shall possess the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

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Amend #16
8/10/2000

3. This license is effective as of the date of issuance and shall expire at midnight on February 11, 2000. It will continue in effect until the Commission notifies the licensee of its termination.

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FOR THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

A. Giambusso, Deputy Director
for Reactor Projects
Directorate of Licensing

Enclosure:

Attachment A - Change No. 50 to
the Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: August 15, 1972

Amendment 9

Donald J. Skovholt
Assistant Director
for Operating Reactors
Directorate of Licensing
January 10, 1974

Amendment 10

George Lear, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #3
Division of Reactor Licensing
May 30, 1975

Amendment 11

Seymour H. Weiss, Director
Non-Power Reactors, Decommissioning and
Environmental Project Directorate
Division of Reactor Projects - III/IV/V
May 28, 1992

Amendment 12

Seymour H. Weiss, Director
Non-Power Reactors, Decommissioning and
Environmental Project Directorate
Division of Reactor Support
February 22, 1995

Amendment 13

Seymour H. Weiss, Director
Non-Power Reactors and
Decommissioning
Project Directorate
Division of Reactor Program Management
May 10, 1996

Amendment 14

Seymour H. Weiss, Director
Non-Power Reactors and Decommissioning
Project Directorate
Division of Reactor Program Management
July 23, 1996

Amendment 15

Marvin M. Mendonca, Acting Director
Non-Power Reactors and Decommissioning
Project Directorate
Division of Reactor Program Management
April 20, 1998

Amendment 16

Ledyard B. Marsh, Chief
Events Assessment, Generic Communications, and
Non-Power Reactors Branch
Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
August 10, 2000

SAXTON NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTAL CORPORATION

SAXTON NUCLEAR FACILITY

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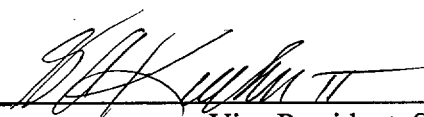
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF DAUPHIN)

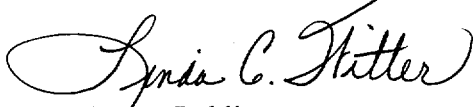
This Technical Specification Change Request is submitted in support of Licensee's request to change Operating License No. DPR-4 for Saxton Nuclear Experimental facility. As part of this request, proposed replacement page for License No. DPR-4 is also included.

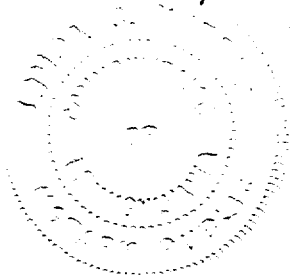
I, G. A. Kuehn Jr., being duly sworn, state that I am the Vice President Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation (SNEC) and Program Director SNEC Facility; that on behalf of SNEC, I am authorized by SNEC to sign, and file with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, this Application to amend the facility license; that I signed this Application as Vice President of SNEC and Program Director SNEC Facility; and that statements made and the matters set forth therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

SAXTON NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTAL CORPORATION

BY: 
Vice President, SNEC & Program Director,
SNEC Facility

Sworn and Subscribed to before me
This 18th day of January, 2001


Notary Public



Notarial Seal
Linda C. Witter, Notary Public
Londonderry Twp., Dauphin County
My Commission Expires Sept. 25, 2004
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF
SAXTON NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTAL CORPORATION

LICENSE NO. DPR-4
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

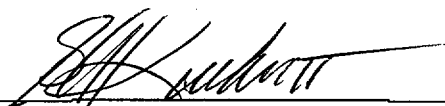
This is to certify that this Supplement to Technical Specification Change Request No. 61, to amend Operating License DPR-4 for the Saxton Nuclear Experimental Corporation Facility, has been filed with executives of Liberty Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania; Bedford County, Pennsylvania; and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, by deposit in the United States mail addressed as follows:

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Liberty Township Supervisors
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Attn: Kenneth Singh

SAXTON NUCLEAR EXPERIMENTAL CORPORATION

BY: 
Vice President, SNEC &
Program Director, SNEC Facility

DATE: 