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Docket No. 50-244

Mr. Roger W. Kober, Vice President
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Dear Mr. Kober:

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 21 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-18 for the R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant. This amendment is in response to your application dated October 15, 1986.

The amendment alters the Technical Specification requirements dealing with the membership and quorum requirements for the Nuclear Safety Audit and Review Board (NSARB). Specifically, the amendment changes the NSARB membership by increasing the plant representatives from two to three members and grants them voting rights. The requirements related to the quorum is clarified in that the quorum will consist of the majority of the principals and will include the Chairman or Vice Chairman and specifies that no more than a minority of the quorum may be members of the plant staff. This action closes our TAC No. 63319.

A copy of the Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next regular biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. 21 to License No. DPR-18
2. Safety Evaluation

cc w/enclosures:

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ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION

DOCKET NO. 50-244

R. E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 21
License No. DPR-18

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (the licensee) dated October 15, 1986, 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, 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 Facility Operating License No. DPR-18 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 21, 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.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Attachment:
Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: January 28, 1987

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 21

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-18

DOCKET NO. 50-244

Revise Appendix A Technical Specifications by removing the pages identified below and inserting the enclosed pages. The revised pages are identified by the captioned amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the area of change.

REMOVE

p.6.5-6
p.6.5-8

INSERT

p.6.5-6
p.6.5-8 through 6.5-8a

COMPOSITION (Continued)

- c. At least one qualified non-company affiliated technical consultant and others as required. Duly appointed consultant members shall have equal vote with company affiliated members of the Board.
- d. Three members from the staff of the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant.
- e. Members in (b) and (d) above to be designated by the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer.

ALTERNATES

6.5.2.3 Alternate members shall be appointed in writing by the NSARB Chairman to serve on a temporary basis; however, no more than two alternates shall participate in NSARB activities at any one time.

QUALIFICATIONS

6.5.2.4 The minimum qualifications of the Nuclear Safety Audit and Review Board with regard to the individual members shall be maintained at a level equal to or higher than the following:

- a. Reactor Engineering
Engineering graduate or equivalent with over eight years experience in the nuclear power field and over four years responsible engineering management.

MEETING FREQUENCY

6.5.2.5 At least semi-annually and as required on call of the Chairman.

QUORUM

6.5.2.6 A quorum shall consist of a majority of the principals and will include the Chairman or Vice Chairman. At least one of the quorum shall be a non-company affiliated technical consultant and no more than a minority of the quorum shall be members of the Plant staff.

REVIEW

6.5.2.7 The NSARB shall review:

- a. The safety evaluations for 1) changes to procedures, equipment or systems as described in the safety analysis report and 2) tests or experiments completed under the provision of 10CFR Section 50.59 to verify that such actions did not constitute an unreviewed safety question.
- b. Proposed changes to procedures, equipment or systems which have been determined by the PORC to involve an unreviewed safety question as defined in 10CFR Section 50.59.
- c. Proposed tests or experiments which have been determined by the PORC to involve an unreviewed safety question as defined in 10CFR Section 50.59.
- d. Proposed changes in Technical Specifications or licenses.

- e. Violations of applicable statutes, codes, regulations, orders, Technical Specifications, license requirements, or of internal procedures or instructions having nuclear safety significance.
- f. Significant operating abnormalities or deviations from normal and expected performance of plant equipment that affect nuclear safety.
- g. All Reportable Events.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 21 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-18
ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION
R. E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated October 15, 1986, Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation (the licensee) requested several changes to the Administrative Controls section of the Technical Specifications for the R. E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant. The requested changes would alter the membership and the quorum requirements for the Nuclear Safety Audit and Review Board (NSARB).

2.0 EVALUATION

The existing Technical Specifications, in Section 6.5.2, specify the membership of the NSARB as:

- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- At least four technical qualified persons who are not members of the plant staff.
- At least one qualified non-company affiliated technical member, with voting rights.
- Two members from the Ginna plant supervisory staff (non-voting members)

The proposed NSARB membership change would increase the plant representation on the NSARB to three members and would grant them voting rights.

The existing quorum requirements for NSARB meetings are five members including the Chairman or Vice Chairman. At least one of the quorum members must be a non-company affiliated technical consultant. The proposed revised quorum requirement would call for the quorum to consist of a majority of the members including the Chairman or Vice Chairman, retain the requirement that at least one of the quorum must be a non-company affiliated technical consultant, and specify that no more than a minority of the quorum may be members of the plant staff.

The licensee states that the proposed changes will strengthen the review capability of the NSARB by more fully incorporating the experience of members of the plant staff. We agree. The quorum requirements also ensure the plant representatives cannot dominate board actions.

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The NSARB membership and quorum requirements, as revised, would be in accordance with the requirements of Section 13.4 of the Standard Review Plan, NUREG-0800. They are, therefore, acceptable.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment involves a change to a requirement with respect to the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. The staff has determined that the amendment involves no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that this amendment involves no significant hazards consideration and there has been no public comment on such finding. Accordingly, this amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(7) and (9). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

4.0 CONCLUSION

The staff 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; and (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

5.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Dated: January 28, 1987