

Docket No. 50-220

September 16, 1981

Mr. Walter E. Loveridge, P.E.  
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Dear Mr. Loveridge:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO. 46 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-63 FOR  
THE NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

By letter dated July 24, 1981, Amendment No. 46 was issued for the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1. This amendment increased the main condenser allowable temperature rise as well as the maximum allowable discharge temperature to Lake Ontario.

The technical bases for this amendment for the Nine Mile plant was forwarded by your letter of July 9, 1981. The NRC's approval was administrative in nature. In essence, we determined that this action was ministerial and required as a matter of law. Therefore, we concluded that no environmental impact statement or environmental impact appraisal and negative declaration needed to be prepared.

If we can be of further assistance, please advise.

Sincerely,

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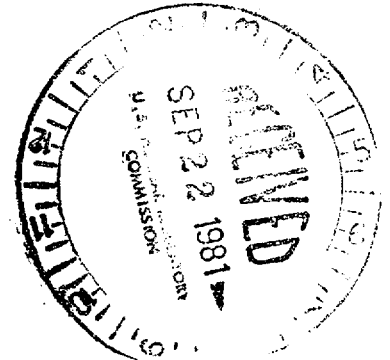
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