



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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August 9, 1993

Docket No. 50-410

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia
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Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT FOR NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION,
UNIT 2 (TAC NO. M86523)

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Sincerely,

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1. Amendment No. 45 to NPF-69
2. Safety Evaluation

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AMENDMENT NO. 45 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-69-NINE MILE POINT
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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
DOCKET NO. 50-410
NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 45
License No. NPF-69

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (the licensee) dated May 26, 1993, 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 1;
 - 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. NPF-69 is hereby amended to read as follows:

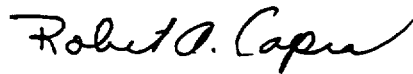
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(2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, as revised through Amendment No. 45 are hereby incorporated into this license. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance to be implemented within 30 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment:
Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: August 9, 1993

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT NO.45 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-69

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Revise Appendix A as follows:

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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

6.8 PROCEDURES AND PROGRAMS

PROCEDURES

6.8.1 (Continued)

- d. Surveillance and test activities of safety-related equipment
- e. Security Plan implementation
- f. Emergency Plan implementation
- g. Fire Protection Program implementation
- h. PROCESS CONTROL PROGRAM implementation
- i. OFFSITE DOSE CALCULATION MANUAL implementation and
- j. Quality Assurance for effluent and environmental monitoring.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL

6.8.2 Each procedure of Specification 6.8.1, and changes thereto, shall be reviewed in accordance with Specification 6.5.2 and approved prior to implementation by the branch manager for the functional area of the procedure or higher levels of management as governed by administrative procedures. Each procedure of Specification 6.8.1 shall be reviewed periodically as set forth in administrative procedures.

TEMPORARY CHANGES

6.8.3 Temporary changes to procedures of Specification 6.8.1 may be made provided:

- a. The intent of the original procedure is not altered;
- b. The change is approved by two members of the unit management staff, at least one of whom holds a Senior Operator license on the unit affected; and
- c. The change is documented, reviewed in accordance with Specification 6.5.2 and approved within 14 days of implementation by the branch manager for the functional area of the procedure or higher levels of management as governed by administrative procedures.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 45 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-69
NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION
NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated May 26, 1993, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (NMP-2), Technical Specifications (TSs). The requested changes would revise TSs 6.8.2 and 6.8.3c to require approval of plant procedures (and changes thereto) by the Branch Manager for the functional area of the procedure rather than requiring approval of these procedures by the Plant Manager. The requested changes would also correct a typographical error in TS 6.8.1.i and delete a footnote on TS page 6-16; the proposed change to TS 6.8.2 would incorporate the intent of the footnote proposed for deletion.

2.0 EVALUATION

NMP-2 TS 6.8.2, currently requires that each procedure of TS 6.8.1 and changes thereto be approved by the Plant Manager prior to implementation. The proposed change would revise TS 6.8.2 to require that these procedures and changes thereto be approved prior to implementation by the Branch Manager (or by higher levels of management) for the functional area of the procedure. The proposed change would also correct a typographical error in TS 6.8.1.i and would delete a footnote on TS page 6-16 since the intent of this footnote would be incorporated by the proposed revision to TS 6.8.2.

NMP-2 TS 6.8.3c, currently requires that temporary changes to procedures be approved by the Plant Manager within 14 days of implementation. The proposed change would revise TS 6.8.3c to require that temporary changes to procedures be approved within 14 days of implementation by the Branch Manager (or by higher levels of management) for the functional area of the procedure.

Sections 13.5.1 "Administration Procedures" and 13.5.2 "Operating and Maintenance Procedures" of NUREG-0800, "Standard Review Plan" provide review procedures and criteria for NRC staff review of operating licenses. The results of the NRC staff's review of the NMP-2 application for an operating license were documented in NUREG-1047 "Safety Evaluation Report Related to the Operation of Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 2." None of these documents require that plant procedures be approved by the Plant Manager. These documents do require preparation and review of plant procedures by qualified personnel. Such requirements are specified in NMP-2 TS 6.5.2, which

is not being changed. The proposed change allows and requires the person most familiar with the procedure to approve it. The proposed changes also relieve the Plant Manager from the administrative responsibility of approving all plant procedures and thereby permits the Plant Manager to better focus his attention on major safety issues. Therefore, the NRC staff finds the proposed changes acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

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

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment relates to changes in administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendment.

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 amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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