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

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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GPU NUCLEAR CORPORATION

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JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-219

OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No.180
License No. DPR-16

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by GPU Nuclear Corporation, et al. (the licensee) dated February 28, 1995, 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.

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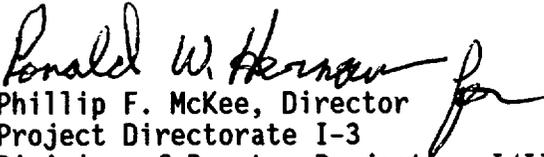
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-16 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 180, are hereby incorporated in the license. GPU Nuclear Corporation shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


Phillip F. McKee, Director
Project Directorate I-3
Division of Reactor Projects - I/II
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: May 1, 1995

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 180

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-16

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Replace the following page of the Appendix A, Technical Specifications, with the attached page as indicated. The revised page is identified by amendment number and contains vertical lines indicating the areas of change.

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6.5.1.2 Proposed changes to the Appendix "A" Technical Specifications shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the individual(s)/group who prepared the change.

6.5.1.3 Proposed modifications, that affect nuclear safety, to facility structures, systems and components shall be designed by an individual/organization knowledgeable in the areas affected by the proposed modification. Each such modification shall be reviewed by an individual/group other than the individual/group which designed the modification but may be from the same division as the individual who designed the modification.

6.5.1.4 Proposed tests and experiments that affect nuclear safety shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the preparer but who may be from the same division as the individual who prepared the tests and experiments.

6.5.1.5 Investigation of all violations of the Technical Specifications including the preparation and forwarding of reports covering evaluation and recommendations to prevent recurrence, shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the individual/group which performed the investigation.

6.5.1.6 Events requiring 24-hour written notification to the Commission shall be reviewed by an individual/group other than the individual/group which prepared the report.

6.5.1.7 Special reviews, investigations or analyses and reports thereon as requested by the Vice President & Director Oyster Creek shall be performed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group.

6.5.1.8 The Security Plan and implementing procedures shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the individual(s)/group which prepared them.

6.5.1.9 The Emergency Plan and implementing procedures shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the individual(s)/group which prepared them.

6.5.1.10 Review of every unplanned onsite release of radioactive material to the environs including the preparation and forwarding of reports covering evaluation shall be performed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group. Recommendations and disposition of the corrective action to prevent recurrence shall be sent to the Vice President & Director Oyster Creek.

6.5.1.11 Major changes to radwaste systems shall be reviewed by a knowledgeable individual(s)/group other than the individual(s)/group which prepared them.

6.5.1.12 Individuals responsible for reviews performed in accordance with 6.5.1.1 through 6.5.1.4 shall include a determination of whether or not additional cross-disciplinary review is necessary. If deemed necessary, such review shall be performed by the appropriate personnel. Individuals responsible for reviews considered under 6.5.1.1, 6.5.1.3, and 6.5.1.4 shall render determinations in writing with regard to whether or not 6.5.1.1, 6.5.1.3, and 6.5.1.4 constitute an unreviewed safety question.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 180

TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-16

GPU NUCLEAR CORPORATION AND

JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated February 28, 1995, the GPU Nuclear Corporation (the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station (OCNGS) Technical Specifications (TSs). The requested changes would revise TS Section 6.5.1.12 to delete the requirement to render determinations in writing with regard to whether or not activities listed in TS Sections 6.5.1.2 and 6.5.1.5 constitute an unreviewed safety question. These activities are proposed changes to Appendix A TS (6.5.1.2) and investigations of all violations of the TS (6.5.1.5). This change is consistent with NUREG-1433 Standard Technical Specifications General Electric Plants, BWR/4 Revision 0, dated September 28, 1992.

2.0 EVALUATION

The proposed TS change removes the requirement to render determinations in writing with regard to whether or not proposed changes to the TSs and investigations of violations of the TSs constitute an unreviewed safety question. Both of these activities involve submittals to the NRC. Proposed changes to the TSs cannot be implemented until approved by the NRC. Investigations of violations of TSs require a docketed response to the identified violation and are subject to NRC review and acceptance. Therefore, the requirement to determine whether or not either of these activities constitute an unreviewed safety question, in terms of 10 CFR 50.59 criteria, is not relevant to the activity. The existing OCNGS TS Section 6.5.1 and 6.5.2 requirements to perform Technical Reviews and Independent Safety Reviews of these activities are not affected by this change. Therefore, the level of assurance that these activities do not adversely affect nuclear safety or safe plant operations is maintained.

The proposed change is also consistent with the Revised Standard Technical Specifications (NUREG-1433) Administrative Controls for Review and Audit (STS 5.5.1.1.c).

Based on the above, the staff has concluded that the proposed change is acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the New Jersey State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendment. By letter dated April 5, 1995, Mr. Kent W. Tosch, of the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection commented that they concur with GPU Nuclear's rationale that these unreviewed safety question reviews serve no value since these activities specifically require NRC review and approval. The State official had no other comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment relates to changes in recordkeeping, reporting, or 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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Date: May 1, 1995