

March 7, 1990

Docket Nos. 50-272/311

Mr. Steven E. Miltenberger
Vice President and Chief Nuclear
Officer
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Post Office Box 236
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Dear Mr. Miltenberger:

SUBJECT: OPERATIONS MANAGER QUALIFICATIONS (TAC NOS. 74535/74536)

RE: SALEM GENERATING STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2

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A copy of our safety evaluation is also enclosed. Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

/s/

James C. Stone, Project Manager
Project Directorate I-2
Division of Reactor Projects I/II
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. **110** to License No. DPR-70
2. Amendment No. **89** to License No. DPR-75
3. Safety Evaluation

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DOCKET NO. 50-272

SALEM GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 110
License No. DPR-70

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) has found that:
 - A. The applications for amendment filed by the Public Service Electric & Gas Company, Philadelphia Electric Company, Delmarva Power and Light Company and Atlantic City Electric Company (the licensees) dated August 29, August 31, October 11, and November 14, 1989 and January 31 and February 8, 1990 comply 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 set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - 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-70 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 110, 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 its date of issuance and shall be implemented within 60 days of the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

/s/
Walter R. Butler, Director
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FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-70

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Revise Appendix A as follows:

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FACILITY STAFF (Continued)

- b. At least one licensed Operator shall be in the control room when fuel is in the reactor. In addition, at least one licensed Senior Reactor Operator shall be in the Control Room area at all times.
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- d. ALL CORE ALTERATIONS shall be observed and directly supervised by a licensed Senior Reactor Operator who has no other concurrent responsibilities during this operation.
- e. A site Fire Brigade of at least 5 members shall be maintained onsite at all times*. The Fire Brigade shall not include 4 members of the minimum shift crew necessary for safe shutdown of the unit or any personnel required for other essential functions during a fire emergency.
- f. The amount of overtime worked by plant staff members performing safety-related functions must be limited in accordance with the NRC Policy Statement on working hours (Generic Letter No. 82-12).
- g. The Operating Engineer, Senior Nuclear Shift Supervisors, and Nuclear Shift Supervisors shall each hold a senior reactor operator license. The Nuclear Control Operators shall hold reactor operator licenses.
- h. The Operations Manager shall meet one of the following:
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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

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6.4.1 A retraining and replacement training program for the facility staff shall be coordinated by each functional level manager (Department Head) at the facility and maintained under the direction of the Manager - Nuclear Training and shall meet or exceed the requirements and recommendations of Section 5.5 of ANSI N18.1-1971 and Appendix "A" of 10 CFR Part 55 and the supplemental requirements specified in Sections A and C of Enclosure 1 of the March 28, 1980 NRC letter to all licensees, and shall include familiarization with relevant industry operational experience.

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DOCKET NO. 50-311

SALEM GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 89
License No. DPR-75

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) has found that:
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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NOS. 110 AND 89 TO FACILITY OPERATING

LICENSE NOS. DPR-70 AND DPR-75

PUBLIC SERVICE ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY

DELMARVA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY

SALEM GENERATING STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-272 AND 50-311

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letters dated August 29, August 31, October 11, and November 14, 1989 and January 31 and February 8, 1990, Public Service Electric & Gas (PSE&G) Company requested an amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-70 and DPR-75 for the Salem Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2. The proposed amendments would allow a highly qualified individual, who does not hold a current valid senior reactor operator (SRO) license to assume the duties of the Salem Operations Manager. The supplemental letters dated January 31 and February 8, 1990 provided corrected technical specification pages and did not increase the scope of the amendment request and did not affect the staff's no significant hazards determination.

On September 1, 1989, PSE&G was granted a Temporary Waiver of Compliance to allow the implementation of this change while the amendments were being processed. In the Temporary Waiver of Compliance the staff stated "In consideration of the need to minimize current potential uncertainty about licensee personnel and organizational assignments that could have a distracting effect on safe operation of Salem 1 and 2, and the value of timely implementation of personnel changes that will strengthen the management oversight at the Salem Generating Station, the staff concludes that the change should be implemented at the earliest practical date." The licensee initially requested emergency treatment of the application but the staff found that while the situation required prompt attention, the emergency treatment could not be justified.

2.0 EVALUATION AND EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES

PSE&G proposed changes to Sections 6.2.2.g & 6.3.1 of the Technical Specifications and proposed a new Section designated 6.2.2.h. These changes would revise the current requirement that the Operations Manager

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hold a Senior Reactor Operator's (SRO) license for operation of the Salem Units. Under the revision, the Operations Manager would only be required to hold or have held an SRO license on a similar plant, i.e. PWR. However, shift personnel would continue to report directly to the licensed Operating Engineer who is required to be licensed as an SRO on the Salem Units, and who in turn reports directly to the Operations Manager.

We find the requested change in qualifications for the position of Operations Manager acceptable because the shift personnel will continue to report directly to a management position that has an SRO license on that unit, i.e. the Operating Engineer. The Operating Engineer(s) is required by Technical Specification 6.2.2.g to hold an SRO license.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments relate to changes in recordkeeping, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendments meet 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 amendments.

4.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission made a proposed determination that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration which was published in the Federal Register (54 FR 38304) on September 15, 1989 and (54 FR 51259) on December 13, 1989 and consulted with the State of New Jersey. No public comments were received, the State of New Jersey had one comment:

Comment: The Operations Manager is a member of the Station Operations Review Committee (SORC) and isn't he the only senior reactor operator (SRO) licensed individual on the committee?

Answer: It is true the Operations Manger is a member of SORC, but at least two other individuals, the Operations Engineer and the Senior Nuclear Shift Supervisor, have SRO licenses.

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 the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security nor to the health and safety of the public.

Principal Contributor: Frederick R. Allenspach and James C. Stone

Dated: **March 7, 1990**