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Gentlemen:

In response to your request dated May 23, 1977, the Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. \Im 6 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-35 for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 1.

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The amendment consists of changes to the Technical Specifications to incorporate minimum qualifications for the Radiation Protection supervisor, in response to the NRC letter of March 15, 1977.

Copies of the related Safety Evaluation and the Notice of Issuance are also enclosed.

Sincerely,

Don K. Davis, Acting Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Operating Reactors

Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No.26 to License No. DPR-35
- 2. Safety Evaluation
- 3. Notice

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

BOSTON EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-293

PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 26 License No. DPR-35

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by the Boston Edison Company (the licensee) dated May 23, 1977, 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 3.B of Facility License No. DPR-35 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - B. Technical Specifications

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The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 26, 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

Don K. Davis, Acting Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Operating Reactors

Attachment: Changes to the Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: October 11, 1977

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 26

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-35

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Replace page 208 of the Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A of the above-indicated license with the attached page 208. The changed area on the revised page is reflected by a marginal line.

6.0 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

6.1 RESPONSIBLITY

The Pilgrim Station Manager shall be responsible for overall facility operation and shall delegate in writing the succession to this responsibility during his absence.

6.2 ORGANIZATION

A. OFFSITE

The Company organization for Station management and technical support shall be as shown on Figure 6.2.1.

B. FACILITY

The Facility organization shall be as shown on Figure 6.2.2 and:

- 1. Each on-duty shift shall be composed of at least the minimum shift crew composition shown in Table 6.2.1.
- 2. At least one licensed Operator shall be in the control room when fuel is in the reactor.
- 3. At least two licensed Operators shall be present in the control room during reactor startup, scheduled reactor shutdown and during recovery from reactor trips.
- 4. An individual qualified in radiation protection procedures shall be on site when fuel is in the reactor.
- 5. ALL CORE ALTERATIONS performed while fuel is in the reactor vessel after the initial fuel loading shall be directly supervised by either a licensed Senior Reactor Operator or Senior Reactor Operator limited to Fuel Handling who has no other concurrent responsibilities during this operation.

6.3 FACILITY STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

The qualifications with regard to educational and experience backgrounds of the facility staff at the time of appointment to the active position shall meet the requirements as described in the American National Standards Institute N18.1-1971, "Selection and Training of Personnel for Nuclear Power Plants." In addition, the individual performing the function of Radiation Protection Manager shall meet or exceed the qualifications of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September, 1975.

6.4 TRAINING

- A. A retraining and replacement training program for the facility staff shall be maintained under the direction of the Pilgrim Station Manager.
- B. A retraining program for the licensed operators shall be maintained under the direction of the Senior Nuclear Training Specialist 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.



UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 26 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-35

BOSTON EDISON COMPANY

PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION

DOCKET NO. 50-293

INTRODUCTION

By letter dated March 15, 1977, we notified Boston Edison Company that the Technical Specifications for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 1 should be modified to require that the individual performing the function of Radiation Protection supervisor meet the minimum qualifications of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September 1975. Boston Edison replied to this letter by their letter dated May 23, 1977, in which the aforementioned technical specification change was requested.

DISCUSSION AND EVALUATION

Regulatory Guide 1.8, Revision 1, September 1975, Section D, states in part "...if the RPM (Radiation Protection Manager) at an existing nuclear power station is reassigned or the incumbent is replaced, the new manager should have qualifications equivalent to this guide." The Regulatory Requirements Review Committee, in its 27th meeting on May 2, 1975, endorsed this position and suggested that existing technical specifications in use at operating facilities be amended to reflect the applicability of these qualification guidelines.

By letter dated May 23, 1977, Boston Edison submitted a proposed change to the Pilgrim Technical Specifications to incorporate the requirement that the individual performing the function of Radiation Protection supervisor meet the minimum qualification requirements of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September 1975. Because these proposed requirements are more stringent than the present technical specification requirements (ANSI N18.1 - 1971), and because adherence to these proposed requirements would assure that the position is and will be filled by a well-qualified and experienced professional, we find that the proposed change is acceptable.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

We have determined that the amendment does not authorize a change in effluent types or total amounts nor an increase in power level and will not result in any significant environmental impact. Having made this determination, we have further concluded that the amendment involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and pursuant to 10 CFR \$51.5(d)(4) that an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

CONCLUSION

We have concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) because the amendment does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of accidents previously considered and does not involve a significant decrease in a safety margin, the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration, (2) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and (3) 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.

Date: October 11, 1977

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 50-293 BOSTON EDISON COMPANY NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY

OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 26 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-35, issued to Boston Edison Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of Unit No. 1 of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (the facility) located near Plymouth, Massachusetts. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment incorporated minimum qualifications for the Radiation Protection Supervisor, in response to the NRC letter dated March 15, 1977. The minimum qualifications are more stringent than those of the previous specification and are those set forth in Regulatory Guide 1.8, "Personnel Selection and Training".

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration. The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated May 23, 1977, (2) Amendment No. 26 to License No. DPR-35, and (3) the Commission's concurrently issued related Safety Evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the Plymouth Public Library on North Street in Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360. A single copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 11th day of October, 1977.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Don K. Davis, Acting Chief Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Operating Reactors