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MEMORANDUM TO: Sholly Coordinator
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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION IN BIWEEKLY FR NOTICE - NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES, PROPOSED NO SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS CONSIDERATION DETERMINATION, AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING (TAC NOS. M89942 AND M89943)

Duke Power Company, et al., Docket Nos. 50-413 and 50-414, Catawba Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, York County, South Carolina

Date of amendment request: July 18, 1994

Description of amendment request: The purpose of the proposed amendment is to separate the Technical Specification (TS) into two separate volumes, one volume explicitly for Unit 1 and one volume explicitly for Unit 2. At present, each unit has a single volume of TS which contains the specifications covering both units. In anticipation of the steam generator (SG) replacement project scheduled to begin in the fall of 1994, the licensee is requesting that the TS reflect unit specific data. Since the SG project outlines a schedule for single units, the present documentation reflecting both units in one volume will make it difficult to facilitate TS changes to a single unit. The proposed TS will modify the current situation as follows:

- 1) The pages will now contain the same information as found before with the exception of references to different units. The Unit 1 volume will only contain parameter and setpoint values applicable to Unit 1; the Unit 2 volume will only contain information applicable to Unit 2.

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2) The limits established by the TS (the definitions, the limiting conditions for operation, the surveillance requirements, the Bases, etc.) will be unchanged by this amendment, with the exception of (3) below. The effect of the amendment will be that the Unit 1 TS will be found only in the volume dedicated solely to Unit 1 and likewise for Unit 2.

3) TS Sections 3.0.5 and 4.0.6 will be deleted and minor editorial changes, such as the correction of misspellings and the deletion of obsolete footnotes, will be made. TS 3.0.5 and 4.0.6 define the applicability of the current joint TS volume to each unit individually. Since each unit's TS will be located in a separate volume, no statements are necessary to indicate differences in parameters between units and TS 3.0.5 and 4.0.6 may be deleted.

Basis for proposed no significant hazards consideration determination: As required by 10 CFR 50.91(a), the licensee has provided its analysis of the issue of no significant hazards consideration, which is presented below:

The proposed amendments would not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of a previously evaluated accident. The separation of the existing technical specification manual into unit-specific volumes is a strictly administrative process which will not affect the probability or consequence of any accident.

They will not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated. The changes do not have any impact upon the design or operation of plant equipment; therefore, they cannot serve to initiate a new type of accident.

The proposed amendments would not involve a reduction in a margin of safety. The changes would not impact the design or operation of any plant systems or components.

Based upon the preceding analysis, Duke Power Company concludes that the proposed amendments do not involve a significant hazards consideration as defined by 10 CFR 50.92.

The NRC staff has reviewed the licensee's analysis and, based on this review, it appears that the three standards of 10 CFR 50.92(c) are satisfied. Therefore, the NRC staff proposes to determine that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration.

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