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April 12, 1984

Docket No. 50-327

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Dear Mr. Parris:

Subject: Issuance of Amendment No. 34 to Facility Operating License
No. DPR-77 - Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Unit 1

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 34 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-77.

The amendment changes the Technical Specifications to modify the surveillance requirements for testing of containment penetration protective fuses. The amendment is in response to your letter dated December 29, 1983.

A copy of the related safety evaluation supporting Amendment No. 34 to Facility Operating License DPR-77 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elinor G. Adensam".

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Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. 34 to DPR-77
2. Safety Evaluation

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AMENDMENT NO. 34 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-77 - SEQUOYAH UNIT 1

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SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 34
License No. DPR-77

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment to the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Unit 1 (the facility) Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 filed by the Tennessee Valley Authority (licensee), dated December 29, 1983, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the license, as amended, 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 hereby amended by page changes to the Appendix A Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

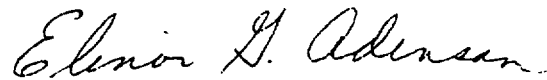
The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 34, are hereby incorporated into the license.

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The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Attachment:
Appendix A Technical
Specification Change

Date of Issuance: April 12, 1984

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 34

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-77

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Replace the following page of the Appendix "A" Technical Specifications with the enclosed page. The revised page is identified by Amendment number and contains vertical lines indicating the areas of change.

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ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- (c) For each circuit breaker found inoperable during these functional tests, an additional representative sample of at least 1 of the circuit breakers of the inoperable type shall also be functionally tested until no more failures are found or all circuit breakers of that type have been functionally tested.
2. By selecting and functionally testing a representative sample of at least 10% of each type of lower voltage circuit breakers. Circuit breakers selected for functional testing shall be selected on a rotating basis. The functional test shall consist of injecting a current input at the specified setpoint to each selected circuit breaker and verifying that each circuit breaker functions as designed. Circuit breakers found inoperable during functional testing shall be restored to OPERABLE status prior to resuming operation. For each circuit breaker found inoperable during these functional tests, an additional representative sample of at least 10% of all the circuit breakers of the inoperable type shall also be functionally tested until no more failures are found or all circuit breakers of that type have been functionally tested.
3. By selecting and functionally testing a representative sample of each type of fuse on a rotating basis. Each representative sample of fuses shall include at least 10% of all fuses of that type. The functional test shall consist of a non-destructive resistance measurement test which demonstrates that the fuse meets its manufacturer's design criteria. Fuses found inoperable during these functional tests shall be replaced with OPERABLE fuses prior to resuming operation. For each fuse found inoperable during these functional tests, an additional representative sample of at least 10% of all fuses of that type shall be functionally tested until no more failures are found or all fuses of that type have been functionally tested.*
- b. At least once per 60 months by subjecting each circuit breaker to an inspection and preventive maintenance in accordance with procedures prepared in conjunction with its manufacturer's recommendations.

*Surveillance requirement 4.8.3.1.a.3 may be suspended until the completion of the NRC generic study, provided the following surveillance requirement is implemented:

A fuse inspection and maintenance program will be maintained to ensure that:

1. The proper size and type of fuse is installed,
2. The fuse shows no sign of deterioration, and
3. The fuse connections are tight and clean.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 34 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-77

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

INTRODUCTION

Interim relief had been granted for Sequoyah Unit 1, Amendment No. 20, to conduct a visual inspection of certain protective fuses instead of destructive testing of fuses until the next refueling of Unit 1. At a later date, Unit 2 was granted the same relief, Amendment No. 21. The licensee on December 29, 1983, requested an extension of the visual inspection requirements for both units until the NRC completes a review of this matter on a generic basis. This Safety Evaluation addresses Unit 1.

EVALUATION

The staff agrees that the interim relief granted for surveillance testing of the protective fuses should remain in effect until the generic issues on this matter are resolved. The licensee's justification for the initial relief through cycle 2 operations is adequate for continued relief pending the results of the NRC study.

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 the amendment.

CONCLUSION

The Commission made a proposed determination that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration (SHC) which was published in the Federal Register on February 24, 1984 (49 FR 7045), and consulted with the State of Tennessee. No public comments were received and the state of Tennessee did not have any comments.

The Notice of Consideration of Amendment erroneously stated that the proposed amendment would extend the period during which nondestructive testing of fuses would be allowed for Unit 1 in a manner similar to an extension already granted for Unit 2 (pending completion of an NRC generic review of proposed technical specifications). In fact, Unit 2 had previously been granted an extension only until Cycle 2; the proposed amendment requested an extension for both units pending completion of the NRC review.

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With respect to Unit 1, this error does not affect the description of the amendment nor the Commission's basis for its proposed no significant hazards consideration determination.

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

Dated: April 12, 1984

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