

September 13, 1994

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Dear Mr. Kingsley:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS (TAC NOS. M87822 AND M87823) (TS 93-10)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 186 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 and Amendment No. 178 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-79 for the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, respectively. These amendments are in response to your application dated September 28, 1993.

The amendments clarify the operability requirements for the fire suppression system flow path and incorporate additional guidance into an action statement requirement for spray and/or sprinkler systems inside containment. However, your request to delete the special reporting requirements associated with the fire protection system is denied and the enclosed Notice of Partial Denial of Amendment and Opportunity for Hearing has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

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

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-327 and 50-328

- Enclosures: 1. Amendment No. 186 to License No. DPR-77
- 2. Amendment No. 178 to License No. DPR-79
- 3. Safety Evaluation
- 4. Notice of Partial Denial

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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

DOCKET NO. 50-327

SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 186
License No. DPR-77

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Tennessee Valley Authority (the licensee) dated September 28, 1993, 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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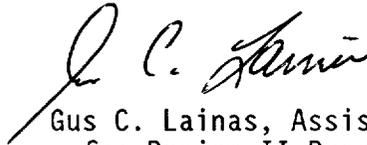
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 186, 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, to be implemented within 45 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



Gus C. Lainas, Assistant Director
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: September 13, 1994

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 186

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-77

DOCKET NO. 50-327

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PLANT SYSTEMS

3/4.7.11 FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

FIRE SUPPRESSION WATER SYSTEM

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.7.11.1 The fire suppression water system shall be OPERABLE with:

- a. Two fire suppression pumps, each with a capacity of 1653 gpm, with their discharge aligned to the fire suppression header,
- b. An OPERABLE flow path capable of taking suction from the forebay and transferring the water through distribution piping with OPERABLE sectionalizing control or isolation valves up to the first valve off the loop header that isolate:
 1. Spray and/or Sprinkler System(s) required to be OPERABLE per Specification 3.7.11.2 or
 2. Hose standpipe(s) required to be OPERABLE per Specification 3.7.11.4.

APPLICABILITY: At all times.

ACTION:

- a. With only one pump OPERABLE, restore the inoperable equipment to OPERABLE status within 7 days or, in lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, prepare and submit a Special Report to the Commission pursuant to Specification 6.9.2 within the next 30 days outlining the plans and procedures to be used to restore the inoperable equipment to OPERABLE status or to provide an alternate backup pump or supply. The provisions of Specifications 3.0.3 and 3.0.4 are not applicable.
- b. With the fire suppression water system otherwise inoperable (the provisions of Specification 3.0.4 are not applicable):
 1. Establish a backup fire suppression water system within 24 hours, and
 2. In lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, submit a Special Report in accordance with Specification 6.9.2:
 - a) By telephone within 24 hours,
 - b) Confirmed by telegraph, mailgram or facsimile transmission no later than the first working day following the event, and

PLANT SYSTEMS

ACTION: (Continued)

- c) In writing within 14 days following the event, outlining the action taken, the cause of the inoperability and the plans and schedule for restoring the system to OPERABLE status.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.7.11.1 The fire suppression water system shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:
- a. At least once per 31 days on a STAGGERED TEST BASIS by starting each electric motor driven pump and operating it for at least 15 minutes on recirculation flow.
 - b. At least once per 31 days by verifying that each valve (manual, power operated or automatic) in the flow path is in its correct position.
 - * c. At least once per 6 months by performance of a system flush.
 - d. At least once per 12 months by cycling each testable valve in the flow path through at least one complete cycle of full travel.
 - e. At least once per 18 months by performing a system functional test which includes simulated automatic actuation of the system throughout its operating sequence, and:
 1. Verifying that each automatic valve in the flow path actuates to its correct position,
 2. Verifying that each pump develops at least 1653 gpm at a system head of 338 feet,
 3. Cycling each valve in the flow path that is not testable during plant operation through at least one complete cycle of full travel, and
 4. Verifying that the No. 1 fire pump starts to maintain the fire suppression water system pressure greater than or equal to 125 psig and that the No. 2 fire pump also starts automatically within 10 ± 2 seconds when the fire suppression water system is not maintained greater than or equal to 125 psig by the No. 1 pump.
 - f. At least once per 3 years by performing a flow test of the system in accordance with Chapter 5, Section 11 of the Fire Protection Handbook, 14th Edition, published by the National Fire Protection Association.

*Note: These flushes should coincide with the chlorination of the raw service and fire suppression water system. These flushes should be run, one between April 1 and June 30, and the other between September 1 and November 15.

Within the prescribed spring and fall test period, deviation from the six-month performance frequency is authorized.

PLANT SYSTEMS

SPRAY AND/OR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.7.11.2 The following spray and/or sprinkler systems shall be OPERABLE:

- a. Reactor Building - RC pump area, Annulus
- b. Auxiliary Building - Elev. 669, 690, 706, 714, 734, 749, 759, ABGTS Filters, EGTS Filters, Cont. Purge Filters, and 125V Battery Rooms.
- c. Control Building - Elev. 669, Cable Spreading Room, MCR air filters, and operator living area.
- d. Diesel Generator Building - Corridor Area.
- e. Turbine Building - Control Building Wall.

APPLICABILITY: Whenever equipment protected by the spray/sprinkler system is required to be OPERABLE.

ACTION:

- a. With one or more of the above required spray and/or sprinkler systems inoperable, within one hour establish a continuous fire watch with backup fire suppression equipment for those areas in which redundant systems or components could be damaged; for other areas establish an hourly fire watch patrol. For Spray and/or Sprinkler Systems inside Containment which are inoperable as a result of inoperable fire detection instrumentation, a continuous or hourly fire watch is not required when complying with the ACTION requirements of Specification 3.3.3.8. Restore the system to OPERABLE status within 14 days or, in lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, prepare and submit a Special Report to the Commission pursuant to Specification 6.9.2 within the next 30 days outlining the action taken, the cause of the inoperability and the plans and schedule for restoring the system to OPERABLE status.
- b. The provisions of Specification 3.0.3 and 3.0.4 are not applicable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7.11.2 Each of the above required spray and/or sprinkler systems shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 31 days by verifying that each valve (manual, power operated or automatic) in the flow path is in its correct position.
- b. At least once per 12 months by cycling each testable valve in the flow path through at least one complete cycle of full travel.



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DOCKET NO. 50-328

SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 178
License No. DPR-79

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Tennessee Valley Authority (the licensee) dated September 28, 1993, 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.

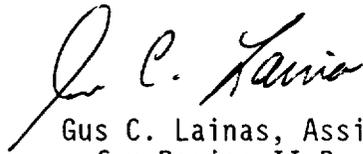
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 178, 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, to be implemented within 45 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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for Region II Reactors
Division of Reactor Projects - I/II
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: September 13, 1994

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 178

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-79

DOCKET NO. 50-328

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PLANT SYSTEMS

3/4.7.11 FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

FIRE SUPPRESSION WATER SYSTEM

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.7.11.1 The fire suppression water system shall be OPERABLE with:

- a. Two fire suppression pumps, each with a capacity of 1653 gpm, with their discharge aligned to the fire suppression header, and
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 2. Hose standpipe(s) required to be OPERABLE per Specification 3.7.11.4.

APPLICABILITY: At all times.

ACTION:

- a. With only one pump OPERABLE, restore the inoperable equipment to OPERABLE status within 7 days or, in lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, prepare and submit a Special Report to the Commission pursuant to Specification 6.9.2 within the next 30 days outlining the plans and procedures to be used to restore the inoperable equipment to OPERABLE status or to provide an alternate backup pump or supply. The provisions of Specifications 3.0.3 and 3.0.4 are not applicable.
- b. With the fire suppression water system otherwise inoperable (the provisions of Specification 3.0.4 are not applicable):
 1. Establish a backup fire suppression water system within 24 hours, and
 2. In lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, submit a Special Report in accordance with Specification 6.9.2:
 - a) By telephone within 24 hours,
 - b) Confirmed by telegraph, mailgram or facsimile transmission no later than the first working day following the event, and

PLANT SYSTEMS

ACTION: (Continued)

- c) In writing within 14 days following the event, outlining the action taken, the cause of the inoperability and the plans and schedule for restoring the system to OPERABLE status.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.7.11.1 The fire suppression water system shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:
- a. At least once per 31 days on a STAGGERED TEST BASIS by starting each electric motor driven pump and operating it for at least 15 minutes on recirculation flow.
 - b. At least once per 31 days by verifying that each valve (manual, power operated or automatic) in the flow path is in its correct position.
 - * c. At least once per 6 months by performance of a system flush.
 - d. At least once per 12 months by cycling each testable valve in the flow path through at least one complete cycle of full travel.
 - e. At least once per 18 months by performing a system functional test which includes simulated automatic actuation of the system throughout its operating sequence, and:
 1. Verifying that each automatic valve in the flow path actuates to its correct position,
 2. Verifying that each pump develops at least 1653 gpm at a system head of 338 feet,
 3. Cycling each valve in the flow path that is not testable during plant operation through at least one complete cycle of full travel, and
 4. Verifying that the No. 1 fire pump starts to maintain the fire suppression water system pressure greater than or equal to 125 psig, and that the No. 2 fire pump starts automatically within 10 ± 2 seconds if the fire suppression water system is not maintained at greater than or equal to 125 psig by the No. 1 pump.
 - f. At least once per 3 years by performing a flow test of the system in accordance with Chapter 5, Section 11 of the Fire Protection Handbook, 14th Edition, published by the National Fire Protection Association.

*Note: These flushes should coincide with the chlorination of the raw service and fire suppression water system. These flushes should be run, one between April 1 and June 30, and the other between September 1 and November 15.

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PLANT SYSTEMS

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3.7.11.2 The following spray and/or sprinkler systems shall be OPERABLE:

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- d. Diesel Generator Building - Corridor Area.
- e. Turbine Building - Control Building Wall.

APPLICABILITY: Whenever equipment protected by the spray/sprinkler system is required to be OPERABLE.

ACTION:

- a. With one or more of the above required spray and/or sprinkler systems inoperable, within one hour establish a continuous fire watch with backup fire suppression equipment for those areas in which redundant systems or components could be damaged; for other areas establish an hourly fire watch patrol. For Spray and/or Sprinkler Systems inside Containment which are inoperable as a result of inoperable fire detection instrumentation, a continuous or hourly fire watch is not required when complying with the ACTION requirements of Specification 3.3.3.8. Restore the system to OPERABLE status within 14 days or, in lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.6.1, prepare and submit a Special Report to the Commission pursuant to Specification 6.9.2 within the next 30 days outlining the action taken, the cause of the inoperability and the plans and schedule for restoring the system to OPERABLE status.
- b. The provisions of Specification 3.0.3 and 3.0.4 are not applicable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7.11.2 Each of the above required spray and/or sprinkler systems shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 31 days by verifying that each valve (manual, power operated or automatic) in the flow path is in its correct position.
- b. At least once per 12 months by cycling each testable valve in the flow path through at least one complete cycle of full travel.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 186 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-77
AND AMENDMENT NO. 178 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-79
TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY
SEQUOYAH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2
DOCKET NOS. 50-327 AND 50-328

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated September 28, 1993, the Tennessee Valley Authority (the licensee) proposed amendments to the Technical Specifications (TS) for Sequoyah Nuclear Plant (SQN) Units 1 and 2. The requested changes would clarify operability requirements regarding the fire suppression system flow path and incorporate additional guidance into a Technical Specification (TS) action requirement for spray and/or sprinkler systems inside containment. The licensee also proposed to delete special reporting requirements for fire detection instrumentation, fire suppression systems and fire barrier penetrations and their associated bases.

2.0 DISCUSSION

The TS changes proposed by TVA are as follows:

- a. Revise Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.7.11.1.b which governs the operability requirements for the fire suppression water system flow path. LCO 3.7.11.1.b currently states: "An OPERABLE flow path capable of taking suction from the forebay and transferring the water through distribution piping with OPERABLE sectionalizing control or isolation valves to the yard hydrant curb valves, the last valve ahead of the water pressure alarm device on each sprinkler or hose standpipe, and the last valve ahead of the deluge valve on each deluge or spray system required to be OPERABLE per Specifications 3.7.11.2. and 3.7.11.4."

The proposed change to TS 3.7.11.1.b states: "An OPERABLE flow path capable of taking suction from the forebay and transferring the water through distribution piping with OPERABLE sectionalizing control or isolation valves up to the first valve off the loop header that isolate: (1) Spray and/or sprinkler system(s) required to be OPERABLE per Specification 3.7.11.2, or (2) Hose standpipe(s) required to be OPERABLE per Specification 3.7.11.4." In addition to these changes, the licensee proposed incorporating an exemption to TS 3.0.4 in Action Statement (b) of 3.7.11.1.

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- b. A change to action statement (a) of LCO 3.7.11.2 for spray and/or sprinkler systems that would provide additional guidance within the action by deleting the requirement for maintaining continuous or hourly fire watch inside containment. The proposed change would read as follows: "For spray and/or sprinkler systems inside containment which are inoperable as a result of inoperable fire detection instrumentation, a continuous or hourly fire watch is not required when complying with the ACTION requirements of Specification 3.3.3.8."
- c. Delete special reporting requirements from TS action statements and their associated bases for TS 3.3.3.8 (Fire Detection Instrumentation), TS 3.3.7.11.1 (Fire Suppression Systems), TS 3.3.7.11.2 (Spray and/or Sprinkler Systems), TS 3.3.7.11.3 (CO₂ Systems), TS 3.7.11.4 (Fire Hose Stations), and 3.7.12 (Fire Barrier Penetrations).

3.0 EVALUATION

The licensee's proposed change to LCO 3.7.11.1.b clarifies the boundary for an operable flow path by establishing the boundary at the first valve off the header (yard loop or building loop) leading to the particular end device(s) (spray and/or sprinkler system, or hose standpipe) rather than the last valve ahead of the particular end device(s). The licensee's proposed request would establish appropriate flow path operability boundaries that would result in a more appropriate application of TS LCOs for SQN's fire protection systems. The change is, therefore, acceptable.

The proposed addition of the exemption to TS 3.0.4 is consistent with the guidance provided in GL 87-09, "Sections 3.0 and 4.0 of the Standard Technical Specifications (STSS) on the Applicability of Limiting Conditions for Operation and Surveillance Requirements," June 4, 1987. This guidance states: "For an LCO that has action requirements permitting continued operation for an unlimited period of time, entry into an operational mode or other specified condition of operation should be permitted in accordance with these action requirements." Accordingly, the proposed change is acceptable.

The licensee's proposed change to the action statement (a) of LCO 3.7.11.2. provides the clarification and guidance to the operators for a specific case involving inoperable fire detection instrumentation inside containment. SQN LCO 3.3.3.8 already contains the operability requirements for fire detection instrumentation located inside and outside containment. In the event that the fire detection instrumentation becomes inoperable, Action Statement (a) of LCO 3.3.3.8 requires monitoring the containment air temperature at least once every hour in the affected locations and precludes the need to establish a hourly fire watch inside containment. The licensee's proposed change to action statement (a) of LCO 3.7.11.2 provides similar actions for an inoperable spray and/or sprinkler system located inside containment and is, therefore, acceptable.

The licensee's request to delete the special reporting requirements related to fire detection instrumentation, fire suppression systems and fire barrier penetration was reviewed against the guidance provided in Generic Letter (GL) 86-10, "Implementation of Fire Protection Requirements", April 24, 1986, and GL 88-12, "Removal of Fire Protection Requirements from Technical Specifications," August 2, 1988. GL 86-10 requested that the licensee incorporate the NRC approved fire protection program in its Final Safety

Analysis Report (FSAR) for the facility and specified a standard license (GL) condition. GL 88-12 addressed the elements a licensee should include in a license amendment request to remove the fire protection requirements from the plant TS. The licensee has not applied for a license amendment in accordance with GLs 86-10 and 88-12. In addition, the special reports required by the existing TS provide some measure for the staff to (a) assess the impacts that the reportable conditions have on matters affecting the fire protection program, and (b) ensure that threats to the public health and safety as a result of fire protection program weaknesses are minimized. Because of these reasons, the request to remove the special reporting requirements is denied. The licensee should resubmit its proposed amendment regarding the reporting requirements with its proposal to incorporate the fire protection program into the FSAR in accordance with GLs 86-10 and 88-12.

4.0 CONCLUSION

Based on the above evaluation, the staff concludes that the proposed changes to TS LCO 3.7.11.1.b and TS LCO 3.7.11.2 are acceptable. However, the proposed changes to delete LCO's 3.7.11.1, 3.7.11.2, 3.7.11.3, 3.7.11.4, 3.7.12, and 3.3.3.8, concerning special reporting requirements, are not acceptable. Therefore, this part of the licensee's request is denied.

5.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Tennessee State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State official had no comments.

6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendments change a requirement with respect to installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. The NRC staff has determined that the amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration, and there has been no public comment on such finding (58 FR 59757). Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). 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.

7.0 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 amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Principal Contributor: Amarjit Singh

Dated: September 13, 1994

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

DOCKET NOS. 50-327 AND 50-328

NOTICE OF PARTIAL DENIAL OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied a request by the Tennessee Valley Authority, (licensee) for amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-77 and DPR-79 issued to the licensee for operation of the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2, located in Soddy Daisy, Tennessee. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on November 10, 1993 (58 FR 59757).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the Technical Specifications (TS) to remove the fire protection special reporting requirements.

The NRC staff has concluded that the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed change by a letter dated

By October 20, 1994, the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene.

A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555, Attention: Docketing and Services Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., by the above date.

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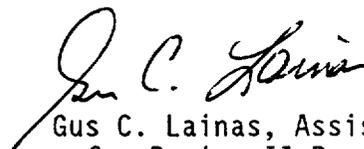
A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555, and to the Office of the General Counsel, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, ET 11H, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated September 28, 1993, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated .

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and at the Chattanooga-Hamilton County Library, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402. A copy of item (2) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555, Attention: Document Control Desk.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 13 day of September, 1994.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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AMENDMENT NO. 186 FOR SEQUOYAH UNIT NO. 1 - DOCKET NO. 50-327 and
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