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Dear Mr. Stewart:

The Commission has forwarded the enclosed "Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses NPF-4 and NPF-7 and Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination and Opportunity for Hearing" to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

This notice relates to your application dated February 6, 1986 (Serial No. 86-013), which would revise the North Anna Power Station, Units No. 1 and No. 2 (NA-1&2) Technical Specifications (TS) Section 3/4.6.3, Table 3.6-1, Containment Isolation Valves. The change to the NA-1&2 TS reflects the planned and present installation of new containment isolation valves in the letdown line of NA-1&2, respectively. Although your application for amendment is applicable only for NA-2 at this time, we are noticing your application for both NA-1&2.

Sincerely,

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY, ET AL.

DOCKET NOS. 50-338 AND 50-339

NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE AND PROPOSED NO SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS
CONSIDERATION DETERMINATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating Licenses No. NPF-4 and No. NPF-7, issued to Virginia Electric and Power Company and Old Dominion Electric Cooperative (the licensee), for operation of the North Anna Power Station, Units No. 1 and No. 2 (NA-1&2) located in Louisa County, Virginia, in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment dated February 6, 1986.

The proposed changes would revise the NA-1&2 Technical Specifications (TS), Section 3/4.6.3, Table 3.6-1, Containment Isolation Valves. The proposed changes reflect the planned installation of new containment isolation valves in the letdown line of the Charging and Letdown System (CLS). The new valve will function as the inside containment isolation valve and is designed to meet the operating criteria of three (3) existing parallel isolation valves, an in-line relief valve and a remote manual valve. The existing valves will not be physically removed but will no longer serve as isolation valves and, thus, would be deleted from Table 3.6.1 which specifies Containment Isolation Valves. The new valves would be added to Table 3.6.1.

The Commission has made a proposed determination that the request for amendments involves no significant hazards consideration. Under the Commission's regulation in 10 CFR 50.92, this means that operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendments would not (1) involve a significant increase in the probability of consequences of an accident previously evaluated; or (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety.

The proposed change as discussed above does not increase the probability of occurrence or the consequences of an accident of malfunction of equipment important-to-safety as previously evaluated in the NA-1&2 Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR). The new valve to be installed for each unit is functionally equivalent to and designed consistent with the original design criteria for the containment isolation valves which are being replaced. The proposed change does not affect any existing accident analyses specified in the NA-1&2 FSAR.

Also, the change does not create a possibility for an accident or malfunction of a different type than any previously evaluated in the FSAR. The modification does not functionally change the operation of the Letdown System or change the containment isolation function, and thus, the proposed change does not affect any existing accident analyses.

And, finally, the change does not reduce the margin of safety as defined in the basis of any TS. The safety limits as defined in the Technical Specifications are not changed. Therefore, based on these considerations and the criteria given above, the Commission has made a proposed determination that

the amendment request does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

The Commission is seeking public comments on this proposed determination. Any comments received within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice will be considered in making any final determination. The Commission will not normally make a final determination unless it receives a request for a hearing.

Comments should be addressed to the Rules and Records Branch, Division of Rules and Records, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555.

By April 4, 1986 , the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendments to the subject facility operating licenses and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene. Request for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2. If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR §2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding.

The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) the nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the Board up to fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter, and the bases for each contention set forth with reasonable specificity. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendments under consideration. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement which satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the

opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing, including the opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses.

If a hearing is requested, the Commission will make a final determination on the issue of no significant hazards consideration. The final determination will serve to decide when the hearing is held.

If the final determination is that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration, the Commission may issue the amendments and make them effective, notwithstanding the request for a hearing. Any hearing held would take place after issuance of the amendments.

If a final determination is that the amendments involve a significant hazards consideration, any hearing held would take place before the issuance of any amendment.

Normally, the Commission will not issue the amendments until the expiration of the 30-day notice period. However, should circumstances change during the notice period such that failure to act in a timely way would result, for example, in derating or shutdown of the facility, the Commission may issue the license amendments before the expiration of the 30-day notice period, provided that its final determination is that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration. The final determination will consider all public and State comments received. Should the Commission take this action, it will publish a notice of issuance and provide for opportunity for a hearing after issuance. The Commission expects that the need to take this action will occur very infrequently.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC, by the above date. Where petitions are filed during the last ten (10) days of the notice period, it is requested that the petitioner promptly so inform the Commission by a toll-free telephone call to Western Union at (800) 325-6000 (in Missouri (800) 342-6700). The Western Union operator should be given Datagram Identification Number 3737 and the following message addressed to Lester S. Rubenstein: (petitioner's name and telephone number), (date petition was mailed), (plant name), and (publication date and page number of this FEDERAL REGISTER notice). A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and to Michael W. Mauphin, Esq., Hunton, Williams, Gay and Gibson, P. O. Box 1535, Richmond, Virginia 23212, attorney for the licensee.

Nontimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board designated to rule on the petition and/or request, that the petitioner has made a substantial showing of good cause for the granting of a late petition and/or request. That determination will be based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and 2.714(d).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated February 6, 1986, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, DC, and at the Board of Supervisors Office, Louisa County Courthouse, Louisa, Virginia 23093 and the Alderman Library, Manuscripts Department, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia 22901.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 27th day of February, 1986.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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