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Sincerely,

/s/

A. Schwencer, Chief  
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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT  
TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-71 issued to Carolina Power & Light Company (the licensee) for operation of the Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 1 (the facility) located in Brunswick County, North Carolina.

The amendment would eliminate the requirement to inert the primary containment atmosphere with nitrogen during reactor power operation. The amendment is proposed by the licensee's application for amendment dated January 17, 1977.

Prior to issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations.

By April 13, 1977, the licensee may file a request for a hearing and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a request for a hearing in the form of a petition for leave to intervene with respect to the issuance of this amendment to the subject facility operating license. Petitions for leave to intervene must be filed under oath or affirmation in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.714 of

10 CFR Part 2 of the Commission's regulations. A petition for leave to intervene must set forth the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, and the petitioner's contentions with respect to the proposed licensing actions. Such petitions must be filed in accordance with the provisions of this FEDERAL REGISTER Notice and Section 2.714, and must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Section, by the above date. A copy of the petition and/or request for a hearing should be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555 and to Richard E. Jones, Esquire, Carolina Power & Light Company, 336 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602, attorney for the licensee.

A petition for leave to intervene must be accompanied by a supporting affidavit which identifies the specific aspect or aspects of the proceeding as to which intervention is desired and specifies with particularity the facts on which the petitioner relies as to both his interest and his contentions with regard to each aspect on which intervention is requested. Petitions stating contentions relating only to matters outside the Commission's jurisdiction will be denied.

All petitions will be acted upon by the Commission or licensing board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel. Timely petitions will be considered to determine

whether a hearing should be noticed or another appropriate order issued regarding the disposition of the petitions.

In the event that a hearing is held and a person is permitted to intervene, he becomes a party to the proceeding and has a right to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing. For example, he may present evidence and examine and cross-examine witnesses.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated January 17, 1977, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, NW., Washington, D.C. and at the Southport-Brunswick County Library, 109 W. Moore Street, Southport, North Carolina 28461.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 3rd day of March 1977.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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A. Schwencer, Chief  
Operating Reactors Branch #1  
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