

Docket No. 50-498

March 28, 1989

Mr. J. H. Goldberg
Group Vice-President, Nuclear
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Dear Mr. Goldberg:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
NPF-76 - SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNIT 1 (TAC NO. 71857)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 5 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-76 for the South Texas Project, Unit 1. The amendment consists of changes to the Technical Specifications (TS) in response to your application dated January 17, 1989.

The amendment modifies the Appendix A Technical Specifications by deleting the existing combined TS (NUREG-1334) and replacing them with the combined TS (NUREG-1346) which were issued with the Unit 2 full power license.

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

Sincerely,

/s/

George F. Dick, Jr., Project Manager
Project Directorate - IV
Division of Reactor Projects - III,
IV, V and Special Projects
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. 5 to NPF-76
2. Safety Evaluation

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HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY
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CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS
DOCKET NO. 50-498
SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNIT 1
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 5
License No. NPF-76

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Houston Lighting & Power Company* (HL&P) acting on behalf of itself and for the City Public Service Board of San Antonio (CPS), Central Power and Light Company (CPL), and City of Austin, Texas (COA) (the licensees) dated January 17, 1989, 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, 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 license 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.

*Houston Lighting & Power Company is authorized to act for the City Public Service Board of San Antonio, Central Power and Light Company and City of Austin, Texas and has exclusive responsibility and control over the physical construction, operation and maintenance of the facility.

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. NPF-76 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2. Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 5, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



Jose A. Calvo, Director
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Date of Issuance: March 28, 1989

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 5

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-76

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Remove, in their entirety, the existing combined Technical Specifications for Units 1 and 2 (NUREG-1334) and replace with the combined Technical Specifications issued with the full power license for Unit 2 on March 28, 1989 (NUREG-1346).



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-76

HOUSTON LIGHTING & POWER COMPANY

CITY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD OF SAN ANTONIO

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SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT, UNIT 1

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated January 17, 1989, Houston Lighting & Power Company, et. al., (the licensee) requested changes to the Technical Specifications (TS) (Appendix A to Facility Operating License No. NPF-76) for South Texas Project, Unit 1. The proposed modification would change the Units 1 and 2 Combined TS (NUREG-1344) to the Combined TS for Units 1 and 2 (NUREG-1346).

2.0 DISCUSSION AND EVALUATION

The South Texas Project, Unit 1 (STP-1) operating license includes the combined TS (NUREG-1334) as issued with the Unit 2 (STP-2) low power license. When the STP-2 full power license is issued, new combined TS will also be issued. Consequently, it is necessary to amend the STP-1 license to incorporate the new combined TS (NUREG-1346). The proposed changes are administrative in nature only; the units are identical. No hardware or operational changes are being made as a result of the amendment.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment relates to changes in recordkeeping, reporting and administrative procedures and requirements. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration and there has been no public comment on such finding. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

4.0 CONCLUSION

Based upon its evaluation of the proposed changes to the South Texas Project, Unit 1, Technical Specifications, the staff has concluded that: there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public. The staff, therefore, concludes that the proposed changes are acceptable, and are hereby incorporated into the South Texas Project, Unit 1 Technical Specifications.

Date: March 28, 1989

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