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Mr. Robert L. Clark
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Subject: Withdrawal of Request for Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License Regarding Proposed Change to Plant Staff Qualification
Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation
R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant
Docket No. 50-244

- References:
- (1) Letter from R.C. Mecredy, RG&E, to R.L. Clark, NRC, Subject: *Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License Regarding Proposed Change to Plant Staff Qualification (Specification 5.3.1)*, dated March 18, 2002.
 - (2) Memorandum from Robert Clark, NRC, to Richard Laufer, NRC, Subject: *Operations Manager Qualification Requirements for Ginna Nuclear Power Plant (TAC NO. MB4548)*, dated May 30, 2002.
 - (3) Letter from A.R. Johnson, NRC, to R.C. Mecredy, RG&E, Subject: *Issuance of Amendment No. 61 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-18, R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant*, dated February 13, 1996.

Dear Mr. Clark:

By the above Reference (1), Rochester Gas & Electric (RG&E) requested an amendment to the Ginna Station facility operating license in regards to the requirement for a candidate for the operations manager position to hold a senior reactor operators (SRO) license at the time of appointment, as described in ANSI Standard N18.1-1971. On May 7, 2002, RG&E and NRC personnel held a telephone conference, Reference (2), to discuss whether the amendment request was necessary. It was stated by the NRC staff that this issue was addressed as part of the conversion of the Ginna Station technical specifications to the Improved Technical Specifications (ITS), Reference (3). Specifically, the addition of a requirement for the operations manager or operations middle manager to hold a SRO license (ITS Section 5.2.2.e) was written to allow flexibility for the middle manager (i.e., operations supervisor) to provide direction to, or

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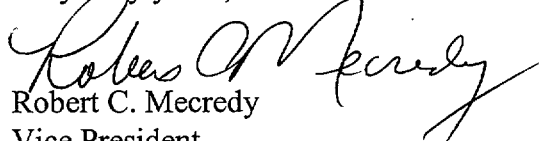
supervise, licensed operators if the operations manager does not have a SRO license. RG&E acknowledges that the utilization of this flexibility also requires that the middle manager must meet the operations manager requirements of ITS Section 5.3.1, "Plant Staff Qualifications." Therefore, RG&E hereby withdraws the request for a license amendment for Ginna Station transmitted to the NRC in the letter dated March 18, 2002, Reference (1).

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that I am authorized by Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation to make this submittal and that the foregoing is true and correct.

If you should have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Mr. Tom Harding, 585-771-3384.

Executed on June 12, 2002

Very truly yours,



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