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Docket No. 50-331

Iowa Electric Light and Power Company ATTN: Duame Arnold, President Security Building P. O. Box 351 Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406

Change No. 4 Amendment No. 3 License No. DPR-49

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#### Gentlemen:

By telecon between your Bobby York and Larry Root and our G. Owsley and confirming letter of May 28, 1974, you submitted a proposed change to the Radiological Technical Specifications for the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC). The proposed change to the Technical Specifications extends the time that reactor operation can continue after the HPCI Subsystem is made or found to be inoperable from 7 days to 11 days. The HPCI Subsystem became inoperable due to failure of its governor on May 22, 1974, and you estimated that it would be made operational by June 2, 1974. You stated that this time extension permits the DAEC to continue operation at 25 per cent thermal power (approximately 100 MWe) and to carry out the standard 25 per cent power level test program. You also stated that subsequent to its failure the turbine has required extensive maintenance to repair the agmage.

Since the HPCI was found to be inoperable, daily testing of the RCIC, LPCI, Core Spray, and the ADS Subsystems were made in compliance with Section 3.5.D.2 and 4.5.D.2 of the Technical Specification. All other ECCS Subsystems have been found to function normally. The DAEC 25 per cent power tests are scheduled to be completed by June 2, 1974, following which the reactor will be shut down in preparation for proceeding to 50 per cent power level. Particularly, considering that the ADS and LPCI Subsystems, as well as the RCIC Subsystems, are operable and provide redundant safety protection to the HPCI, we believe that continued operation during this additional period with the HPCI inoperable, does not present a significant hazards consideration and that there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation of the DAEC in accordance with this change.

Accordingly, we advised you by telecon between our G. Owsley and your Larry Root on May 28, 1974, that Technical Specification 3.5.D.2 is revised to read as follows:

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"From and after the date that the HPCI subsystem is made or found to be inoperable for any reason, continued reactor operation is permissible only during the succeeding 11 days ..."

This temporary change expires at 6:00 A.M. on June 2, 1974, when the HPCI subsystem becomes operable or when the reactor is shutdown, which ever first occurs. Following expiration of this temporary change, Technical Specification 3.5.D.2 shall read as it did prior to May 28, 1974.

### Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
R. C. DeYoung

R. C. DeYoung, Assistant Director for Light Water Reactors Group 1 Directorate of Licensing

#### Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No. 3 DPR-39
- 2. Safety Evaluation
- 3. Federal Register Notice

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# UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20545

## IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

## CENTRAL IOWA POWER COOPERATIVE

#### CORN BELT POWER COOPERATIVE

DOCKET NO. 50-331

## AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

AMENDMENT NO. 3 LICENSE NO. DPR-49

- 1. The Atomic Energy Commission (the Commission) having found that:
  - A. The application for amendment by Iowa Electric Light and Power Company, Central Towa Power Cooperative and Corn Belt Power Cooperative (the licensees) dated May 28, 1974, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the license, 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. Prior public notice of this amendment is not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.
  - 2. Accordingly, Facility Operating License No. DPR-49 issued to Towa Electric Light and Power Company, Central Iowa Power Cooperative and Corn Belt Power Cooperative is hereby amended by changing Technical Specification 3.5.D.2 as follows:

"From and after the date that the HPCI subsystem is made or found to be inoperable for any reason, continued reactor operation is permissible only during the succeeding 11 days ..."

This amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and expires at 6:00 A.M. on June 2, 1974, when the HPCI subsystem becomes operable or when the reactor is shut down, whichever occurs first.

Following expiration of this temporary change, Technical Specification 3.5.D.2 shall read as follows:

"From and after the date that the HPCI subsystem is made or found to be inoperable for any reason, continued reactor operation is permissible only during the succeeding 7 days ..."

FOR THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

R. C. DeYoung, Assistant Director for Light Water Reactors Group 1

Directorate of Licensing

Date of Issuance: 186 08 11/1

### SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE DIRECTORATE OF LICENSING

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO DPR-49

(CHANGE NO. 4 - APPENDIX A OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS)

IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

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#### Introduction

By phone call and letter dated May 28, 1974, Towa Electric Light and Power Company (IE) requested an extension of 4 days to the existing 7 days time period (total time - 11 days) that operation of the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) can continue after the HPCI Subsystem is made or found to be inoperable for any reason. (Section 3.5.D.2 of the DAEC Radiological Technical Specifications). This time extension permits the DAEC to continue operation at 25 per cent thermal power (approximately 100 MWe) and carry out the standard 25 per cent testing program. The HPCI became inoperable at 6:30 A.M., May 22, 1974.

#### Discussion

During the HPCI test program on May 22, 1974, at rated temperature and pressure conditions, the HPCI governor failed, resulting in HPCI turbine overspeed. Subsequently the turbine has required extensive maintenance to repair the damage. By May 28, 1974, IE reported that the HPCI was nearly ready for return to service, but difficulties in accessibility during operation delayed return of the HPCI to an operable status. Since the HPCI was found to be inoperable, daily testing of the RCIC, LPCI, Core Spray, and the ADS Subsystems were made in compliance with Section 3.5.D.2 and 4.5.D.2 of the Technical Specification. All other ECCS Subsystems have been found to function normally. The DAEC 25 per cent power tests are scheduled to be completed by June 2, 1974, following which the reactor will be shut down in preparation for proceeding to the 50 per cent power level. We believe that continued operation during this additional period with the HPCI inoperable, does not present a significant hazards consideration; particularly, considering that the ADS and LPCI Subsystems are operable and provide redundant safety protection to the HPCI.

Based on our review, having found that the proposed temporary change to Technical Specification 3.5.D.2, as defined in our May 28, 1974, letter to the licensee, does not involve a safety consideration of a type or magnitude not considered by any previous staff safety review of that facility, substantial increase in the probability or consequences of an accident considered in any previous staff safety review or a substantial decrease in the margin of safety during normal plant operation, anticipated operational occurrences or postulated accidents considered in any previous staff safety review, we conclude that this change to the DAEC Technical Specifications does not involve significant hazards consideration and that there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation of the DAEC in accordance with this change.

G. F. Owsley, Project Manager Light Water Reactors Branch 1-2 Directorate of Licensing

W. R. Butler, Chief

Light Water Reactors Branch 1-2

Directorate of Licensing

# UNITED STATES ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 50-331

## IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

#### CENTRAL IOWA POWER COOPERATIVE

## CORN BELT POWER COOPERATIVE

## NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF FACILITY LICENSE AMENDMENT

Notice is hereby given that the U. S. Atomic Fnergy Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 3 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-49 issued to Iowa Electric Light and Power Company, Central Iowa Power Cooperative and Corn Belt Power Cooperative, which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the Duane Arnold Energy Center, located near Palo in Linn County, Iowa. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment permits a temporary time extension for reactor operation with the High Pressure Core Injection Subsystem of the Emergency Core Coolant System inoperable.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations and the Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter 1, which are set forth in the license amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment, dated May 28, 1974, (2) Amendment No. 3 to License No. DPR-49, and (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation, dated May 28, 1974. All of these are available for public inspection at the

Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 'H' Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Reference Service, Cedar Rapids Public Library, 426 Third Avenue, S.E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401.

A copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon request addressed to the United States Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D.C., 20545, Attention: Deputy Director for Reactor Projects, Directorate of Licensing - Regulation.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this  $28^{Th}$  day of May, 1974.

FOR THE ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

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Walter R. Butler, Chief

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