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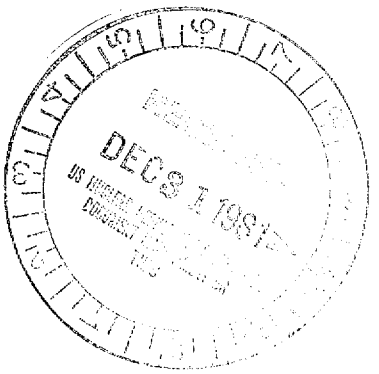

Mr. Glenn L. Koester
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Dear Mr. Koester:

Subject: Issuance of Amendment No. 1 to Construction Permit No. CPPR-147 - Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1

An application for amendment to Construction Permit No. CPPR-147 to add Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo) to own seventeen percent ownership shares of the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1 was forwarded on July 30, 1979. By letter, dated November 20, 1981, you submitted an amendment to the application for amendment to change the ownership shares to be purchased by KEPCo from seventeen percent to six percent.

The purpose of Amendment No. 1 to Construction Permit CPPR-147 is to provide for the addition of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. as an applicant for all licenses previously requested and for the transfer of three percent ownership shares each from Kansas Gas and Electric Company and Kansas City Power and Light Company.

We have reviewed your application, as amended, and have concluded that the addition of Kansas Electric Cooperative, Inc. and the transfer of six percent ownership shares does not affect our previous conclusion that the applicants are financially qualified to design, construct and own the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1. The basis for our conclusion is set forth in the enclosed staff safety evaluation.

We have concluded that the inclusion of this new participant does not involve a significant hazards consideration, does not constitute an unreasonable risk to the health and safety of the public, and is not inimical to the common defense and security.

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We have also concluded that the amendment involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and pursuant to 10 CFR Section 51.5(d)(4) that an environmental impact statement or negative declaration, and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

Enclosed is Amendment No. 1 to CPPR-147 for the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1, the staff safety evaluation and a copy of a related notice which has been forwarded to the office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
Darrell G. Eisenhut
Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
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Enclosures:
1. Amendment No. 1 to CPPR-147
2. Staff Safety Evaluation
3. Federal Register Notice

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Conclusion

The addition of KEPCo as an owner does not create any safety consideration concerning Wolf Creek, since KEPCo is financially qualified and Kansas Gas and Electric Company will retain exclusive responsibility for the design, construction, and operation of the facility. Therefore, we have concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that with respect to the ownership addition authorized by Amendment No. 1 to CPPR-147, there is reasonable assurance that the proposed facility can be constructed and operated at the proposed location without undue risk to the health and safety of the public, and that the issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Amendment No. 1
Construction Permit No. CPPR-147

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) having found that:

   A. The application for amendment, dated July 30, 1979, and amended by letter dated November 20, 1981, 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 issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public;

   C. Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendment to a Construction Permit in connection with this action was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on September 24, 1979 (44 F.R. 55071). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following notice of the proposed action.

2. Accordingly, Construction Permit No. CPPR-147 is amended to reflect a change in the ownership of the facility by adding Kansas Electric Power

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Cooperative, Inc. ("KEPCo") as an owner and transferring shares as follows:

A. A new paragraph is added as follows:

3.d. The following ownership shares may be transferred as indicated:

		SHARES
TO:	Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	3%
FROM:	Kansas Gas and Electric Company	
TO:	Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	3%
FROM:	Kansas City Power & Light Company	

After the transfer of ownership interests is completed, the percent ownership interest is as follows:

UTILITY	OWNERSHIP SHARES
Kansas Gas and Electric Company	47%
Kansas City Power & Light Company	47%
Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	6%

Each of the owners is financially qualified to assume its ownership interest in the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1.

All references in Construction Permit No. CPPR-147 which refers to "applicants" shall include:

Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("KEPCo")

3. This amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
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STAFF SAFETY EVALUATION

WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 1

Introduction

An application for amendment to the Construction Permit of the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1, was forwarded on July 30, 1979. Subsequent to that submittal, an amendment to the application for amendment was forwarded on November 20, 1981.

The purpose of the application, as amended, is to provide for the addition of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (KEPCo) as an applicant for all licenses previously requested and for the transfer of three percent ownership shares each from Kansas Gas and Electric Company and Kansas City Power and Light Company.

NRC Financial Qualifications Requirements

The NRC regulations relating to the determination of an applicant's financial qualifications are Section 50.33(f) and Appendix C to 10 CFR Part 50. These regulations state that there must be reasonable assurance that the applicant can obtain the funds to design and construct the plant including the initial fuel core. In Public Service Company of New Hampshire, et. al. - (Seabrook Station, Units 1 and 2) 7 NRC 1 at 18, CLI-78-1 (1978) the Commission interpreted the reasonable assurance standard by stating that, "... a 'reasonable assurance' does not mean that an applicant will never be pressed for funds in the course of construction. It does mean that the applicant must have a reasonable financing plan in the light of relevant circumstances." Following is a summary of the staff's evaluation of KEPCo's financial qualifications.

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Summary

KEPCo is a membership generating and transmission electric cooperative duly organized under the laws of the State of Kansas. It will provide power to its twenty-five full-requirement member distribution cooperatives. KEPCo has contracts with these cooperatives that require 23 of the cooperatives to purchase all of their power requirements through the year 2020. The remaining 2 cooperatives have contracted with KEPCo for partial load requirements for power supply.

On October 22, 1981, the U.S. Rural Electrification Administration (REA) issued a $200 million loan guarantee commitment notice to KEPCo. An amount substantially in conformity with KEPCo's total capital contribution to the subject facility. Due to this advanced state of KEPCo's financial arrangements for the full amount of its participation in Wolf Creek (i.e., receipt of the REA loan guarantee commitment notice), KEPCo has demonstrated a reasonable financing plan in the light of relevant circumstances. This satisfies NRC's financial qualifications requirements, as described above.

In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 50.33(f) and Appendix C to 10 CFR Part 50, Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. has demonstrated reasonable assurance that it can obtain the funds to purchase a 6 percent undivided ownership interest in Wolf Creek. Accordingly, KEPCo is financially qualified under the provisions of the above regulations to purchase such an interest. The applicants are required to submit copies of the executed joint ownership agreement, as committed in their letter dated November 20, 1981.

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Conclusion

The addition of KEPCo as an owner does not create any safety consideration concerning Wolf Creek, since KEPCo is financially qualified and Kansas Gas and Electric Company will retain exclusive responsibility for the design, construction, and operation of the facility. Therefore, we have concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that with respect to the ownership addition authorized by Amendment No. 1 to CPPR-147, there is reasonable assurance that the proposed facility can be constructed and operated at the proposed location without undue risk to the health and safety of the public, and that the issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Date of Issuance: December 22, 1981

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KANSAS GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 1 to Construction Permit No. CPPR-147 to Kansas Gas and Electric Company, Kansas City Power and Light Company and Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. The amendment reflects a change in ownership and transfer of shares of the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1, located in Coffey County, Kansas.

The amendment provides for the addition of Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. as an applicant for all licenses previously requested and an ownership share of six percent of the facility. The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter 1, which are set forth in the amendment. Public notice of the proposed issuance of this amendment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on September 24, 1975 (44 F.R. 55071). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following notice of the proposed action.

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For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment, dated July 30, 1979 and amendment to the application, dated November 20, 1981; (2) Amendment No. 1 to Construction Permit No. CPPR-147, and (3) the staff's safety evaluation. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20555 and at the William Allen White Library, Emporia State University, 1200 Commercial Street, Emporia, Kansas 66801.

A copy of items 2 and 3 may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Division of Technical Information and Document Control.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 22nd day of December 1981.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

/S/

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