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Dear Mr. Schuyler:

Subject: Exemption for Extension of Submittal Date for Updated FSAR
(Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Exemption from certain requirements of Section 50.71(e) of 10 CFR 50 in response to your letters of August 23, and December 9, 1983. This exemption, which is being forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, permits an extension in the date of compliance for submitting the updated FSAR for Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1 to September 22, 1984, to permit the FSAR update to more accurately reflect the design of the unit after completion of the Design Verification Program. The granting of this exemption is based on our evaluation of the information contained in your August 23 and December 9, 1983, letters.

Sincerely,

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Exemption

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY) Docket No. 50-275
(Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant,)
Unit 1))

EXEMPTION

The Pacific Gas & Electric Company (the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR-76 (the license), dated September 22, 1981, which authorizes fuel loading and operation of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1 located in San Luis Obispo County, California, at five percent power (166.9 megawatts thermal).^{*} This license provides, among other things, that it is subject to all rules, regulations and Orders of the Commission now or hereafter in effect.

II..

Section 50.71(e)(3)(i) of 10 CFR Part 50 requires the licensees of nuclear power reactors to submit an Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR) within 24 months of either July 22, 1980, or the date of issuance of the operating license, whichever is later. The above regulation would have required submittal of the UFSAR for Diablo Canyon Unit 1 by September 22, 1983.

Accordingly, by letters dated August 23, 1983 and December 9, 1983, Pacific Gas & Electric Company requested a temporary exemption from the requirements of Section 50.71(e)(3)(i) of 10 CFR Part 50 because the required submittal date falls near the expected completion of the Design Verification

^{*}On November 19, 1981, the Commission suspended the license pending satisfactory completion of a Design Verification Program.

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Program. Because of the continuing delays in the completion of the Design Verification efforts, the licensee requested that the submittal date of the Diablo Unit 1 UFSAR be extended approximately one year beyond the regulation filing date. This would permit the UFSAR to more accurately reflect the design of the unit after completion of the Design Verification Program. In addition, the licensee will document in the UFSAR all safety evaluations performed by the licensee in support of its conclusions in requested license amendments that the changes did not involve an unreviewed safety question or safety evaluation.

The staff's evaluation of the activities associated with the Design Verification Program is presented in Supplements 18, 19 and 20 to the staff's Safety Evaluation Report (SER) for Diablo Canyon (NUREG-0675). The staff has reviewed the licensee's request for an extension of the date for submitting the UFSAR and has concluded that issuance of this exemption will have no effect on plant safety. Further, this action will not endanger life and property and good cause has been shown to support the exemption. Therefore, a one year exemption from the date of compliance is acceptable.

III.

Accordingly, the Commission has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR §50.12, an exemption is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest. Therefore, the Commission hereby approves the following exemption from compliance with the September 22, 1983, date for submitting an UFSAR:

A revision of the original FSAR containing those original pages that are still applicable plus new replacement pages shall be filed by

September 22, 1984. This revision shall bring the FSAR up to date as of a maximum of 6 months prior to the date of filing the revision. Subsequent revisions shall be filed annually and shall be in compliance with Section 50.71(e) of 10 CFR Part 50.

The NRC staff has determined that the granting of this exemption will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4), an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with this action.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 12th day of February, 1984.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


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