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UNIT NO. 1 (TAC NO. M88830) AND UNIT NO. 2 (TAC NO. M88831)

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Sincerely,

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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-275

DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 106
License No. DPR-80

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Pacific Gas & Electric Company (the licensee) dated February 16, 1994, as supplemented by letter dated April 25, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, 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. 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.
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. DPR-80 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, as revised through Amendment No. 106, are hereby incorporated in the license. Pacific Gas & Electric Company shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan, except where otherwise stated in specific license conditions.

3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance to be implemented within 90 days of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Attachment: Changes to the Technical
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PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

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DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 105
License No. DPR-82

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Pacific Gas & Electric Company (the licensee) dated February 16, 1994, as supplemented by letter dated April 25, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
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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. DPR-82 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, as revised through Amendment No. 105, are hereby incorporated in the license. Pacific Gas & Electric Company shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan, except where otherwise stated in specific license conditions.

3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance to be implemented within 90 days of issuance.

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT NO. 106 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-80

AND AMENDMENT NO. 105 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-82

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3/4 LIMITING CONDITIONS FOR OPERATION AND SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

3/4.0 APPLICABILITY

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.0.1 Compliance with the Limiting Conditions for Operation contained in the succeeding specifications is required during the OPERATIONAL MODES or other conditions specified therein; except that upon failure to meet the Limiting Conditions for Operation, the associated ACTION requirements shall be met.

3.0.2 Noncompliance with a specification shall exist when the requirements of the Limiting Condition for Operation and associated ACTION requirements are not met within the specified time intervals. If the Limiting Condition for Operation is restored prior to expiration of the specified time intervals, completion of the ACTION requirements is not required.

3.0.3 When a Limiting Condition for Operation is not met, except as provided in the associated ACTION requirements, within 1 hour action shall be initiated to place the unit in a MODE in which the specification does not apply by placing it, as applicable, in:

- a. At least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours,
- b. At least HOT SHUTDOWN within the following 6 hours, and
- c. At least COLD SHUTDOWN within the subsequent 24 hours.

Where corrective measures are completed that permit operation under the ACTION requirements, the action may be taken in accordance with the specified time limits as measured from the time of failure to meet the Limiting Condition for Operation. Exceptions of these requirements are stated in the individual specifications.

This specification is not applicable in MODE 5 or 6.

3.0.4 Entry into an OPERATIONAL MODE or other specified condition shall not be made when the conditions for the Limiting Conditions for Operation are not met and the associated ACTION requires a shutdown if they are not met within a specified time interval. Entry into an OPERATIONAL MODE or specified condition may be made in accordance with ACTION requirements when conformance to them permits continued operation of the facility for an unlimited period of time. This provision shall not prevent passage through or to OPERATIONAL MODES as required to comply with ACTION statements. Exceptions to these requirements are stated in the individual specifications.

3.0.5 Limiting Conditions for Operation including the associated ACTION requirements shall apply to each unit individually unless otherwise indicated as follows:

- a. Whenever the Limiting Conditions for Operation refers to systems or components which are shared by both units, the ACTION requirements will apply to both units simultaneously. This will be indicated in the ACTION section;
- b. Whenever the Limiting Conditions for Operation applies to only one unit, this will be identified in the APPLICABILITY section of the specification; and
- c. Whenever certain portions of a specification contain operating parameters, Setpoints, etc., which are different for each unit, this will be identified in parentheses, footnotes or body of the requirement.

APPLICABILITY

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.0.1 Surveillance Requirements shall be met during the OPERATIONAL MODES or other conditions specified for individual Limiting Conditions for Operation unless otherwise stated in an individual Surveillance Requirement.

4.0.2 Each Surveillance Requirement shall be performed within the specified surveillance interval with a maximum allowable extension not to exceed 25 percent of the specified surveillance interval.

4.0.3 Failure to perform a Surveillance Requirement within the allowed surveillance interval defined by Specification 4.0.2 shall constitute non-compliance with the OPERABILITY requirements for a Limiting Condition for Operation. The time limits of the ACTION requirements are applicable at the time it is identified that a Surveillance Requirement has not been performed. The ACTION requirements may be delayed for up to 24 hours to permit the completion of the surveillance when the allowable outage time limits of the ACTION requirements are less than 24 hours. Exceptions to these requirements are stated in the individual specifications. Surveillance Requirements do not have to be performed on inoperable equipment.

4.0.4 Entry into an OPERATIONAL MODE or other specified condition shall not be made unless the Surveillance Requirement(s) associated with the Limiting Condition for Operation has been performed within the stated surveillance interval or as otherwise specified. This provision shall not prevent passage through or to OPERATIONAL MODES as required to comply with ACTION requirements.

4.0.5 Surveillance Requirements for inservice inspection and testing of ASME Code Class 1, 2 and 3 components shall be applicable as follows:

- a. Inservice inspection of ASME Code Class 1, 2 and 3 components and inservice testing of ASME Code Class 1, 2 and 3 pumps, valves, and snubbers shall be performed in accordance with Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and applicable Addenda as required by 10 CFR 50, Section 50.55a(g), except where specific written relief has been granted by the Commission pursuant to 10 CFR 50, Section 50.55a(g)(6)(i);
- b. Surveillance intervals specified in Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and applicable Addenda for the inservice inspection and testing activities required by the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and applicable Addenda shall be applicable as follows in these Technical Specifications:

ASME BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL
CODE AND APPLICABLE ADDENDA
TERMINOLOGY FOR INSERVICE
INSPECTION AND TESTING ACTIVITIES

Weekly
Monthly
Quarterly or every 3 months
Semiannually or every 6 months
Every 9 months
Yearly or annually

REQUIRED FREQUENCIES FOR
PERFORMING INSERVICE
INSPECTION AND TESTING
ACTIVITIES

At least once per 7 days
At least once per 31 days
At least once per 92 days
At least once per 184 days
At least once per 276 days
At least once per 366 days

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PLANT SYSTEMS

3/4.7.12 ULTIMATE HEAT SINK

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.7.12 The ultimate heat sink (UHS)* shall be OPERABLE with an inlet water temperature of less than or equal to 64°F.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, and 3.

ACTION:

With the requirements of the above specification not satisfied, place a second vital component cooling water heat exchanger in service within 8 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in at least HOT SHUTDOWN within the following 6 hours. The provisions of Specification 3.0.4 are not applicable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7.12 The UHS shall be determined OPERABLE by verifying the inlet water temperature to be within its limit:

- a. At least once per 24 hours when the inlet water temperature is equal to or less than 60°F, or
- b. At least once per 12 hours when the inlet water temperature is greater than 60°F but less than 62°F, or
- c. At least once per 2 hours when the inlet water temperature is equal to or greater than 62°F but less than or equal to 64°F.

*The UHS is common to both units.

APPLICABILITYBASES

surveillance interval was exceeded. Completion of the Surveillance Requirement within the allowable outage time limits of the ACTION requirements restores compliance with the requirements of Specification 4.0.3.

If the allowable outage time limits of the ACTION requirements are less than 24 hours or a shutdown is required to comply with ACTION requirements, e.g., Specification 3.0.3, a 24-hour allowance is provided to permit a delay in implementing the ACTION requirements. This provides an adequate time limit to complete Surveillance Requirements that have not been performed. The purpose of this allowance is to permit the completion of a surveillance before a shutdown is required to comply with ACTION requirements or before other remedial measures would be required that may preclude completion of a surveillance. The basis for this allowance includes consideration for plant conditions, adequate planning, availability of personnel, the time required to perform the surveillance, and the safety significance of the delay in completing the required surveillance. This provision also provides a time limit for the completion of Surveillance Requirements that become applicable as a consequence of MODE changes imposed by ACTION requirements and for completing Surveillance Requirements that are applicable when an exception to the requirements of Specification 4.0.4 is allowed. If a surveillance is not completed within the 24-hour allowance, the time limits of the ACTION requirements are applicable at that time. When a surveillance is performed within the 24-hour allowance and the Surveillance Requirements are not met, the time limits of the ACTION requirements are applicable at the time that the surveillance is terminated.

Surveillance Requirements do not have to be performed on inoperable equipment because the ACTION requirements define the remedial measures that apply. However, the Surveillance Requirements have to be met to demonstrate that inoperable equipment has been restored to OPERABLE status.

APPLICABILITY

BASES

4.0.4 This specification establishes the requirement that all applicable surveillances must be met before entry into an OPERATIONAL MODE or other condition of operation specified in the Applicability statement. The purpose of this specification is to ensure that system and component OPERABILITY requirements or parameter limits are met before entry into a MODE or condition for which these systems and components ensure safe operation of the facility. This provision applies to changes in OPERATIONAL MODES or other specified conditions associated with plant shutdown as well as startup.

Under the provisions of this specification, the applicable Surveillance Requirements must be performed within the specified surveillance interval to ensure that the Limiting Conditions for Operation are met during initial plant startup or following a plant outage.

When a shutdown is required to comply with ACTION requirements, the provisions of Specification 4.0.4 do not apply because this would delay placing the facility in a lower MODE of operation.

4.0.5 This specification establishes the requirement that inservice inspection of ASME code Class 1, 2, and 3 components and inservice testing of ASME Code Class 1, 2, and 3 pumps, valves, and snubbers shall be performed in accordance with a periodically updated version of Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and Addenda as required by 10 CFR 50.55a. These requirements apply except when relief has been provided in writing by the Commission.

This specification includes a clarification of the frequencies for performing the inservice inspection and testing activities required by Section XI of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and applicable Addenda. This clarification is provided to ensure consistency in surveillance intervals throughout the Technical Specifications and to remove any ambiguities relative to the frequencies for performing the required inservice inspection and testing activities.

Under the terms of this specification, the more restrictive requirements of the Technical Specifications take precedence over the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and applicable Addenda. The requirements of Specification 4.0.4 to perform surveillance activities before entry into an OPERATIONAL MODE or other specified condition takes precedence over the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code provision which allows pumps and valves to be tested up to one week after return to normal operation. The Technical Specification definition of OPERABLE does not allow a grace period before a component, that is not capable of performing its specified function, is declared inoperable and takes precedence over the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code provision which allows a valve to be incapable of performing its specified function for up to 24 hours before being declared inoperable.

4.0.6 This specification delineates the applicability of the surveillance activities to Unit 1 and Unit 2 operations.

PLANT SYSTEMS

BASES

3/4.7.3 VITAL COMPONENT COOLING WATER SYSTEM

The OPERABILITY of the Vital Component Cooling Water System ensures that sufficient cooling capacity is available for continued operation of safety-related equipment during normal and accident conditions. The redundant cooling capacity of this system, assuming a single failure, is consistent with the assumptions used in the safety analyses.

3/4.7.4 AUXILIARY SALTWATER SYSTEM

The OPERABILITY of the Auxiliary Saltwater System ensures that sufficient cooling capacity is available for continued operation of safety-related equipment during normal and accident conditions. The redundant cooling capacity of this system, assuming a single failure, is consistent with the assumptions used in the safety analyses.

3/4.7.5 CONTROL ROOM VENTILATION SYSTEM

The OPERABILITY of the Control Room Ventilation System ensures that: (1) the ambient air temperature does not exceed the allowable temperature for continuous duty rating for the equipment and instrumentation cooled by this system, and (2) the control room will remain habitable for operations personnel during and following all credible accident conditions. The OPERABILITY of this system in conjunction with control room design provisions is based on limiting the radiation exposure to personnel occupying the control room to 5 rem or less whole body, or its equivalent. This limitation is consistent with the requirements of General Design Criterion 19 of Appendix A, 10 CFR Part 50. Operation of the system with the heaters operating to maintain low humidity using automatic control for at least 10 continuous hours in a 31-day period is sufficient to reduce the buildup of moisture on the adsorbers and HEPA filters. ANSI N510-1980 will be used as a procedural guide for surveillance testing.

PLANT SYSTEMS

BASES

3/4.7.6 AUXILIARY BUILDING SAFEGUARDS AIR FILTRATION SYSTEM

The OPERABILITY of the Auxiliary Building Safeguards Air Filtration System ensures that radioactive materials leaking from the ECCS equipment within the auxiliary building following a LOCA are filtered prior to reaching the environment. Operation of the system with the heaters operating to maintain low humidity for at least 10 continuous hours in a 31-day period is sufficient to reduce the buildup of moisture on the adsorbers and HEPA filters. The operation of this system and the resultant effect on offsite dosage calculations were assumed in the safety analyses. ANSI N510-1980 will be used as a procedural guide for surveillance testing.

3/4.7.12 ULTIMATE HEAT SINK

The OPERABILITY of the Component Cooling Water (CCW) System and the components that it cools is ensured if the CCW temperature remains equal to or less than 132°F during any condition assumed in the safety analysis. One CCW heat exchanger is required in service when the ocean temperature is 64°F or less. Two CCW heat exchangers are required in service when the ocean temperature is greater than 64°F. If the reactor coolant temperature is less than 350°F (MODE 4), one CCW heat exchanger in service is adequate even if the ocean temperature is greater than 64°F.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

RECORD RETENTION (Continued)

- l. Records of analyses required by the Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program;
- m. Records of the service lives of all hydraulic and mechanical snubbers required by the Final Safety Analysis Report including the date at which the service life commences and associated installation and maintenance records; and
- n. Records of secondary water sampling and water quality.
- o. Records of reviews performed for changes made to the RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING AND CONTROLS PROGRAM, OFFSITE DOSE CALCULATION PROCEDURE, ENVIRONMENTAL RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING PROCEDURE, and the PROCESS CONTROL PROGRAM.

6.11 RADIATION PROTECTION PROGRAM

Procedures for personnel radiation protection shall be prepared consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR Part 20 and shall be approved, maintained and adhered to for all operations involving personnel radiation exposure.

6.12 HIGH RADIATION AREA

6.12.1 Pursuant to paragraph 20.203(c)(5) of 10 CFR Part 20, in lieu of the "control device" or "alarm signal" required by paragraph 20.203(c)(2) each high radiation area, as defined in 10 CFR Part 20, in which the intensity of radiation is equal to or less than 1000 mR/h at 45 cm (18 in.) from the radiation source or from any surface which the radiation penetrates shall be barricaded and conspicuously posted as a high radiation area and entrance thereto shall be controlled by requiring issuance of work permits for radiation (WPR). Individuals qualified in radiation protection procedures (e.g., Health Physics Technician) or personnel continuously escorted by such individuals may be exempt from the WPR issuance requirement during the performance of their assigned duties in high radiation areas with exposure rates equal to or less than 1000 mR/h, provided they are otherwise following plant radiation protection procedures for entry into such high radiation areas. Any individual or group of individuals permitted to enter such areas shall be provided with or accompanied by one or more of the following:

- a. A radiation monitoring device which continuously indicates the radiation dose rate in the area; or
- b. A radiation monitoring device which continuously integrates the radiation dose rate in the area and alarms when a preset integrated dose is received. Entry into such areas with this monitoring device may be made after the dose rate levels in the area have been established and personnel have been made knowledgeable of them; or

ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

HIGH RADIATION AREA (Continued)

- c. An individual qualified in radiation protection procedures with a radiation dose rate monitoring device, who is responsible for providing positive control over the activities within the area and shall perform periodic radiation surveillance at the frequency specified by the Radiation Protection Manager in the WPR.

6.12.2 In addition to the requirements of Specification 6.12.1, areas accessible to personnel with radiation levels greater than 1000 mR/h at 45 cm (18 in.) from the radiation source or from any surface which the radiation penetrates shall be provided with locked doors to prevent unauthorized entry, and the keys shall be maintained under the administrative control of the Shift Foreman on duty and/or health physics supervision. Doors shall remain locked except during periods of access by personnel under an approved WPR which shall specify the dose rate levels in the immediate work areas and the maximum allowable stay time for individuals in that area. In lieu of the stay time specification of the WPR, direct or remote (such as closed circuit TV cameras) continuous surveillance may be made by personnel qualified in radiation protection procedures to provide positive exposure control over the activities being performed within the area.

For individual high radiation areas accessible to personnel with radiation levels of greater than 1000 mR/h that are located within large areas, such as PWR containment, where no enclosure exists for purposes of locking, and where no enclosure can be reasonably constructed around the individual area, that individual area shall be barricaded, conspicuously posted, and a flashing light shall be activated as a warning device.

6.13 PROCESS CONTROL PROGRAM (PCP)

6.13.1 The PCP shall be approved by the Commission prior to implementation.

6.13.2 Changes to the PCP:

- a. Shall be documented and records of reviews performed shall be retained as required by Specification 6.10.2.o. This documentation shall contain:
 - 1) Sufficient information to support the change together with the appropriate analyses or evaluations justifying the change(s) and
 - 2) A determination that the change will maintain the overall conformance of the solidified waste product to existing requirements of Federal, State, or other applicable regulations.
- b. Shall become effective after review and acceptance by the PSRC and the approval of the Plant Manager.



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DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-275 AND 50-323

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter of February 16, 1994, as supplemented by letter dated April 25, 1995, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Technical Specifications (TS) of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2 (DCPP). The proposed amendments would revise TS 3/4.7.2, "Steam Generator Pressure/Temperature Limitation," 3/4.7.7, "Snubbers," 3/4.7.8, "Sealed Source Contamination," 3/4.7.11, "Area Temperature Monitoring," and 3/4.7.13, "Flood Protection," in accordance with the Commission's final policy statement for relocation of current TS that do not satisfy any of the policy statement criteria.

The April 25, 1995, supplemental letter provided additional clarifying information and did not change the initial no significant hazards consideration determination published in the Federal Register on April 13, 1994 (59 FR 17603).

2.0 BACKGROUND

Section 182a of the Atomic Energy Act (the "Act") requires applicants for nuclear power plant operating licenses to state TS to be included as part of the license. The Commission's regulatory requirements related to the content of TS are set forth in 10 CFR 50.36. That regulation requires that the TS include items in five specific categories, including (1) safety limits, limiting safety system settings and limiting control settings; (2) limiting conditions for operation; (3) surveillance requirements; (4) design features; and (5) administrative controls. However, the regulation does not specify the particular requirements to be included in a plant's TS.

The Commission has provided guidance for the contents of TS in its "Final Policy Statement on Technical Specifications Improvements for Nuclear Power Reactors" ("Final Policy Statement"), 58 FR 39132 (July 22, 1993), in which the Commission indicated that compliance with the Final Policy Statement satisfies §182a of the Act. In particular, the Commission indicated that certain items could be relocated from the TS to licensee-controlled documents, consistent with the standard enunciated in *Portland General Electric Co.* (Trojan Nuclear Plant), ALAB-531, 9 NRC 263, 273 (1979). In that case, the

Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board indicated that "technical specifications are to be reserved for those matters as to which the imposition of rigid conditions or limitations upon reactor operation is deemed necessary to obviate the possibility of an abnormal situation or event giving rise to an immediate threat to the public health and safety."

Consistent with this approach, the Final Policy Statement identified four criteria to be used in determining whether a particular matter is required to be included in the TS, as follows: (1) installed instrumentation that is used to detect, and indicate in the control room, a significant abnormal degradation of the reactor coolant pressure boundary; (2) a process variable, design feature, or operating restriction that is an initial condition of a DBA or transient analysis that either assumes the failure of or presents a challenge to the integrity of a fission product barrier; (3) a structure, system, or component that is part of the primary success path and which functions or actuates to mitigate a DBA or transient that either assumes the failure of or presents a challenge to the integrity of a fission product barrier; (4) a structure, system, or component which operating experience or probabilistic safety assessment has shown to be significant to public health and safety.¹ As a result, existing TS requirements which fall within or satisfy any of the criteria in the Final Policy Statement must be retained in the TS, while those TS requirements which do not fall within or satisfy these criteria may be relocated to other, licensee-controlled documents.

3.0 EVALUATION

PG&E has proposed to delete TS 3/4.7.2, "Steam Generator Pressure/Temperature Limitation," 3/4.7.7, "Snubbers," 3/4.7.8, "Sealed Source Contamination," 3/4.7.11, "Area Temperature Monitoring," and 3/4.7.13, "Flood Protection," and move these requirements to the DCP Equipment Control Guidelines (ECGs). The relocated TS will also be summarized in the appropriate section of the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) Update. The ECGs are controlled by a department-level administrative procedure. The requirements described in the affected TS will be maintained, and any subsequent changes to the plant procedures or the FSAR Update related to these limits will be made in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59.

TS 3/4.7.2, "Steam Generator Pressure/Temperature Limitation"

Pressure and temperature (P/T) limits are placed on the steam generators (SGs) to prevent a nonductile failure of either the reactor coolant pressure boundary or the secondary side pressure boundary. The specification places limits on the SG P/T to ensure that the pressure-induced stresses are within

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The Commission recently promulgated a proposed change to 10 CFR 50.36, pursuant to which the rule would be amended to codify and incorporate these criteria (59 FR 48180). The Commission's Final Policy Statement specified that only limiting conditions for reactor Core Isolation Cooling, Isolation Condenser, Residual Heat Removal, Standby Liquid Control, and Recirculation Pump Trip meet the guidance for inclusion in the TS under Criterion 4 (58 FR at 39137). The Commission has solicited public comments on the scope of Criterion 4, in the pending rulemaking.

the maximum allowable fracture toughness stress limits. The P/T limits are based on average SG impact values taken at 10 degrees Fahrenheit and are sufficient to prevent brittle fracture. Appendix G to 10 CFR Part 50 provides P/T limits for the reactor coolant pressure boundary, and TS requirements for SG tube surveillances ensure the integrity of the boundary between the reactor coolant system and the SG. In addition, 10 CFR 50.55a provides requirements for inservice inspection, including that for the SG.

Requirements related to the steam generator P/T limits do not satisfy any of the above final policy statement criteria which would necessitate that they be included in the TS. This TS applies at shutdown conditions at low primary system temperature and pressure when the SGs are not required to mitigate DBAs or transients. The requirements of the existing TS for the SG P/T limits are not requirements that identify a parameter that is an initial condition assumption for a DBA or transient, are not used to detect a significant abnormal degradation of the reactor coolant pressure boundary, and do not form part of the primary success path which functions or actuates to mitigate a DBA or transient. Therefore, the requirements specified in the existing TS have been relocated to the FSAR Update and will be controlled in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59 and 10 CFR 50.55a.

TS 3/4.7.7, "Snubbers"

Snubbers are passive devices used for supporting piping systems. The restraining action of the snubbers ensures that the initiating event failure does not propagate to other parts of the failed system or to other safety systems. Snubbers also allow normal thermal expansion of piping and nozzles to eliminate excessive thermal stresses during heatup or cooldown. The existing TS action statement requires that an inoperable snubber be replaced or repaired within the allowed outage time. The surveillance requirement for snubbers is that they be periodically examined under the inservice inspection program in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a.

Requirements related to the snubbers do not satisfy any of the final policy statement criteria which would necessitate that they be included in the TS. Operability requirements of snubbers are not explicitly considered in the DBA or transient analysis. The requirement of the existing TS that all snubbers be operable is not a requirement that identifies a parameter that is an initial condition assumption for a DBA or transient, is not used to detect a significant abnormal degradation of the reactor coolant pressure boundary, and is not part of the primary success path which functions or actuates to mitigate a DBA or transient. Therefore, the requirements specified in the existing TS have been relocated to the FSAR Update and will be controlled in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59 and 10 CFR 50.55a.

TS 3/4.7.8, "Sealed Source Contamination"

The TS limitation ensures that leakage from byproduct, source, and special nuclear material sources will not exceed allowable intake values. The requirements of the existing TS, "Sealed Source Contamination," states that sealed sources containing radioactive material shall be free of a specified

removable contamination. The limitations on removable contamination for sources requiring leak testing, including alpha emitters, is based on 10 CFR 70.39(a)(3) limits for plutonium. The associated action statement requires that if the removable contamination exceeds limitations, the sealed source shall be either disposed of or decontaminated.

Requirements related to sealed source contamination do not satisfy any of the final policy statement criteria which would necessitate that they be included in the TS. The limitations expressed in this TS are not requirements that identify a parameter that is an initial condition assumption for a DBA or transient, are not used to detect a significant abnormal degradation of the reactor coolant pressure boundary, and do not provide any mitigation of a design basis event. Further, adequate requirements for controlling radiological contamination are specified in 10 CFR Part 20. Therefore, the requirements specified in the existing TS have been relocated to the FSAR Update and will be controlled in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59 and 10 CFR Part 20.

TS 3/4.7.11, "Area Temperature Monitoring"

This specification places a limit on the temperature of the areas of the plant which contain safety-related equipment. The requirements of the existing TS provide a means to assure that safety-related equipment will not be subjected to temperatures in excess of that assumed for the purpose of environmental qualification, and will therefore remain operable in order to perform intended safety functions. However, these assumptions are also reflected in operability requirements associated with the TS limiting conditions for operation for the specific equipment. Section 50.49 of 10 CFR Part 50 specifies environmental qualification requirements for safety-related electrical equipment. Accordingly, there is no need for a separate LCO for area temperature.

Requirements related to area temperature monitoring do not satisfy any of the final policy statement criteria which would necessitate that they be included in the TS. This instrumentation does not otherwise measure parameters that are initial condition assumptions for a DBA or transient, is not used to detect a significant abnormal degradation of the reactor coolant pressure boundary, and does not provide for mitigation of design basis events. Therefore, the requirements specified in these existing TS do not satisfy the criteria for TS, and have been relocated to the FSAR Update and will be controlled according to 10 CFR 50.59.

TS 3/4.7.13, "Flood Protection"

The requirements of the existing TS, "Flood Protection," specify limiting conditions and surveillance requirements for those design features that provide protection against flooding for safety-related equipment. The breakwaters (east and west) provide flood protection to the safety-related auxiliary salt water (ASW) pumps located in the intake structure. While there are flooding events included in the DBAs, these design features are passive and not associated with structures, systems or components that are assumed to

actuate to prevent or mitigate a DBA or transient. Further, the quality assurance program includes sufficient requirements for monitoring and maintaining the overall plant design, including the flooding protection features. The ongoing surveillance of the breakwaters will ensure that proper flood protection is provided for the ASW pumps. Therefore, the requirements specified in these existing TS do not satisfy the criteria for TS, and have been relocated to the FSAR Update and will be controlled according to 10 CFR 50.59.

3.0 SUMMARY

On the basis presented above, the staff concludes that the steam generator P/T limitation, snubber, sealed source contamination, area temperature monitoring, and flood protection requirements do not need to be controlled by TS and that changes to these requirements are adequately controlled by 10 CFR 50.59, "Changes, tests, and experiments." Should the licensee's determination conclude that an unreviewed safety question is involved, due to either (1) an increase in the probability or consequences of accidents or malfunctions of equipment important to safety, (2) the creation of a possibility for an accident or malfunction of a different type than any evaluated previously, or (3) a reduction in the margin of safety, NRC approval and a license amendment would be required prior to implementation of the change. NRC inspection and enforcement programs also enable the staff to monitor facility changes and licensee adherence to FSAR Update commitments and to take any remedial action that may be appropriate.

The staff has concluded, therefore, that relocation of TS 3/4.7.2, 3/4.7.7, 3/4.7.8, 3/4.7.11, and 3/4.7.13 is acceptable because (1) their inclusion in TS is not specifically required by 10 CFR 50.36 or other regulations, (2) the requirements are not required to avert an immediate threat to the public health and safety, and (3) changes that are deemed to involve an unreviewed safety question will require prior NRC approval in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59(c).

4.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the California State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State official had no comments.

5.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments change a requirement with respect to the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20 and change surveillance requirements. The NRC staff has determined that the amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration, and there has been no public comment on such finding (59 FR

17603). Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendments.

6.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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