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Amnt. 7 to NPF-74

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Dear Mr. Van Brunt:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT NO. 33 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
NO. NPF-41, AMENDMENT NO. 20 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
NO. NPF-51, AND AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
NO. NPF-74 FOR THE PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS
1, 2 AND 3, RESPECTIVELY, PHYSICAL SECURITY PLAN
(TAC NOS. 65220, 65221 AND 65222)

The Commission has issued the subject Amendments, which are enclosed, to the Facility Operating Licenses for Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2 and 3. The Amendments consist of changes to the licenses in response to your submittals dated November 21, 1986 and December 7, 1987. These amendments modify paragraph 2.E of the licenses to require compliance with the amended Physical Security Plan. This Plan was amended to conform to the requirements of 10 CFR 73.55. Consistent with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.55, search requirements must be implemented within 60 days and miscellaneous amendments within 180 days from the effective date of these amendments.

Our evaluation of the amendment to your Physical Security Plan for Palo Verde Units 1, 2 and 3 is contained in the enclosed Safeguards Evaluation Report. Based on this evaluation, we find that you meet the requirements of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revision to 10 CFR 73.55 and the recordkeeping requirements of 10 CFR 73.70.

We find that these amendments to your licenses are related solely to safeguards matters and do not involve any significant construction impacts. Accordingly, these amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(12). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of these amendments.

Based on the fact that these license amendments apply to the Physical Security Plan and incorporate into the licenses the latest requirements of your updated Physical Security Plan, we have concluded that there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by this action and that this action will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and the issuance of these amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Your Physical Security Plan consists of Safeguards Information required to be protected from unauthorized disclosure in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21.

A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next regular bi-weekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

E. A Licitra, Senior Project Manager
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Enclosures:

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ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL.

DOCKET NO. STN 50-528

PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 33
License No. NPF-41

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The submittals, dated November 21, 1986 and December 7, 1987, by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority (licensees), comply 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 Act, and the 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;
 - 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, paragraph 2.E of Facility Operating License No. NPF-41 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - E. The licensees shall fully implement and maintain in effect all provisions of the Commission-approved physical security, guard training and qualification, and safeguards contingency plans including amendments made pursuant to provisions of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions to 10 CFR 73.55 (51 FR 27817 and 27822) and to the authority of 10 CFR 50.90 and 10 CFR 50.54(p). The Safeguard Contingency Plan is incorporated into the Physical Security Plan. The plans, which contain Safeguards Information protected under 10 CFR 73.21, are entitled: "Palo Verde

Nuclear Station Physical Security Plan," with revisions submitted through December 7, 1987; and "Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station Guard Training and Qualification Plan," with revisions submitted through December 26, 1987. Changes made in accordance with 10 CFR 73.55 shall be implemented in accordance with the schedule set forth therein.

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Robert G. Newirth

for George W. Knighton, Project Director
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PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 20
License No. NPF-51

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The submittals, dated November 21, 1986 and December 7, 1987, by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority (licensees), comply 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 Act, and the 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;
 - 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, paragraph 2.E of Facility Operating License No. NPF-51 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - E. The licensees shall fully implement and maintain in effect all provisions of the Commission-approved physical security, guard training and qualification, and safeguards contingency plans including amendments made pursuant to provisions of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions to 10 CFR 73.55 (51 FR 27817 and 27822) and to the authority of 10 CFR 50.90 and 10 CFR 50.54(p). The Safeguard Contingency Plan is incorporated into the Physical Security Plan. The plans, which contain Safeguards Information protected under 10 CFR 73.21, are entitled: "Palo Verde

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Robert B. Hamworth

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PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 3

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 7
License No. NPF-74

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

- A. The submittals, dated November 21, 1986 and December 7, 1987, by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority (licensees), comply 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 Act, and the 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;
- 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, paragraph 2.E of Facility Operating License No. NPF-74 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- E. The licensees shall fully implement and maintain in effect all provisions of the Commission-approved physical security, guard training and qualification, and safeguards contingency plans including amendments made pursuant to provisions of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions to 10 CFR 73.55 (51 FR 27817 and 27822) and to the authority of 10 CFR 50.90 and 10 CFR 50.54(p). The Safeguard Contingency Plan is incorporated into the Physical Security Plan. The plans, which contain Safeguards Information protected under 10 CFR 73.21, are entitled: "Palo Verde

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

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Division of Reactor Projects - III,
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SAFEGUARDS EVALUATION REPORT

MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENTS AND SEARCH REQUIREMENTS

ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL.

PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 1, 2, AND 3

DOCKET NOS. STN 50-528, STN 50-529 AND STN 50-530

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Arizona Public Service Company (APS) has filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission revisions to the Physical Security Plan for the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2, and 3.

This Safeguards Evaluation Report (SGER) summarizes how the licensees propose to meet the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions of 10 CFR Part 73.55.

Based on a review of the Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that the proposed changes satisfy Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revisions to 10 CFR 73.55 (51 FR 27817 and 27822) and accompanying 10 CFR 73.70 record reporting requirements. Accordingly, the protection provided will ensure that the public health and safety will not be endangered.

2.0 PERSONNEL SEARCH

The licensees have provided commitments in the Physical Security Plan to provide a search of all individuals entering the protected area except bona fide Federal, State and local law enforcement personnel on official duty, through the use of equipment designed for the detection of firearms, explosives, and incendiary devices. In addition, the licensees have provided commitments to conduct a physical pat-down search of an individual whenever the licensees have cause to suspect that the individual is attempting to introduce firearms, explosives, or incendiary devices into the protected areas; or whenever firearms or explosives detection equipment is out of service or not operating satisfactorily.

3.0 VITAL AREA ACCESS

APS has modified the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1, 2, and 3 Physical Security Plan to limit unescorted access to vital areas during non-emergency conditions to individuals who require access in order to perform their duties. They have established current authorization access lists for each area which are updated and approved by the cognizant manager or supervisor at least once every 31 days. APS has assured that only individuals whose specific duties require access to vital areas during nonemergency conditions are included on their site access list. APS has provided further assurance by revoking access and retrieving badges and other entry devices prior to or simultaneously with notification of termination of an individual's unescorted facility access.

Based upon commitments made by the licensees in revisions to their Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that APS meets the vital area access requirements of 10 CFR 73.55(d)(7)(f)(A), (B) and (C).

4.0 LOCKS AND KEYS

The licensees have committed to providing methods to reduce the probability of compromise of keys, locks, combinations, and related access control devices used to control access to their protected areas and vital areas. These methods include the rotation of keys, locks, combinations, and related access control devices every 12 months or the changing of these devices whenever there is evidence or suspicion that any key, lock, combination or related access control device may have been compromised or when an individual who has had access to any of these devices has had their access terminated due to a lack of trustworthiness, reliability or inadequate work performance. Only persons granted unescorted facility access are issued such entry devices.

Based upon commitments made by the licensees in revisions to their Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that APS meets the requirements of 10 CFR 73.55(d)(9) to reduce the probability of compromise of keys, locks, combinations, and related access control devices.

5.0 EMERGENCY ACCESS

The licensees have provided commitments to provide for the rapid ingress and egress of individuals during emergency conditions or situations that could lead to emergency conditions by assuring prompt access to vital equipment. An annual review of their physical security plans and contingency plans and procedures will be conducted to evaluate their potential impact on plant and personnel safety. Emergency access is granted by a licensed senior operator.

Based upon commitments made by the licensees in revisions to their Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that APS meets the requirements of 10 CFR 73.55 (d)(7)(ii) to assure access to vital equipment during emergencies or to situations that may lead to an emergency.

6.0 PROTECTION OF SECONDARY POWER SUPPLIES

The licensees have provided commitments to protect the on-site secondary power supply system for alarm annunciator equipment and non-portable communications equipment by including such equipment within a vital area boundary.

Based upon commitments made by the licensees in revisions to their Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that APS meets the requirements of 10 CFR 73.55(e) in protecting the secondary power supplies of alarm annunciator equipment and non-portable communications equipment.

7.0 VITAL AREA ENTRY/EXIT LOGGING

The licensees have committed to maintaining a log indicating name, badge number, time of entry, and time of exit of all individuals granted access to a vital area except those individuals entering or exiting the reactor control room.

Based upon commitments made by the licensees in revisions to their Physical Security Plan, the staff has concluded that APS meets the requirements of 10 CFR 73.70(d) by maintaining entry/exit log of individuals accessing vital areas (except the reactor control room).

8.0 CONTACT WITH STATE OFFICIAL

The Arizona Radiation Regulatory Agency was advised of the proposed determination of no significant hazards consideration with regard to this change. No comments were received.

9.0 CONCLUSION

Based upon the above evaluation, we find that the licensees have met the requirements of the Miscellaneous Amendments and Search Requirements revision to 10 CFR Part 73.55 and the record reporting requirements of 10 CFR Part 73.70.

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Dated: May 12, 1988