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NRC APPROVES POWER UPRATE FOR FORT CALHOUN

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has approved a request by the Omaha Public Power District to increase the generating capacity of the Fort Calhoun nuclear power facility by 1.6 percent. The NRC staff determined that the licensee could safely increase the power output of the reactor primarily through increased feedwater flow measurement accuracy.

The power uprate at the plant, located near Omaha, Nebraska, increases the generating capacity from 478 to 485 megawatts electric. The licensee intends to implement the uprate by the middle of February.

NRC previously published a notice about the power uprate application in the *Federal Register*, providing the public an opportunity to comment or request a hearing. No comments or hearing requests were received by the NRC.

The NRC's safety evaluation of the requested power uprate focused on several areas, including nuclear steam supply systems, instrumentation and control systems, electrical systems, accident evaluations, radiological consequences, operations, and other technical specification changes.

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