R. L. Doan, Director Division of Reactor Licensing

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Saul Levine, Chief, Test & Power Reactor Safety Branch, Division of Reactor Licensing

ISSUANCE OF AN ORDER FOR EXTENSION OF COMPLETION DATE, PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY DOCKET NO. 50-171

The attached Order will extend to October 31, 1965 from June 30, 1965, the latest completion date specified in Construction Permit No. CPPR-12 for construction of the high-temperature, gas-cooled power demonstration reactor being constructed near Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania.

The evidence of "good cause" for extension of the latest completion date for construction of the facility given by Philadelphia Electric Company is that:

"On February 3, 1965, a fire was discovered in one of the cable penetrations within the Containment Building. The fire is believed to have been caused by sparks from an acetylene torch being used for metal cutting. The fire damaged a number of electrical cables and a local control board and also resulted in a heavy deposit of soot inside the Containment Building. The necessary repair work caused a delay of approximately four months in the completion of plant construction."

A notice of this action will be submitted to the Office of the Federal Register for filing and publication. The ACRS, Surgeon General - USPHS, HEW, state and local officials will be informed of this action.

Attachment: Order

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