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Washington, DC 20555-0001LaSalle County Station, Units 1 and 2
Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-11 and NPF-18
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373 and 50-374

Subject: Extension of Requested Response Date Associated with the Request for Additional Information Supporting the License Amendment Request Associated With Direct Current Electrical Power

- References: 1. Letter from K. R. Jury (Exelon Generation Corporation, LLC) to U.S. NRC, "Request for an Amendment to Technical Specifications Associated With Direct Current Electrical Power," dated December 9, 2004
2. U.S. NRC to C. M. Crane (Exelon Generation Company, LLC), "LaSalle County Power Station, Units 1 and 2 – Request for Additional Information Related to Request for Amendment to Technical Specifications Associated with Direct Current Electrical Power," dated June 2, 2006

In Reference 1, Exelon Generation Company, LLC, (EGC), requested an amendment to Appendix A, Technical Specifications (TS), of Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-11 and NPF-18 for LaSalle County Station (LSCS) Units 1 and 2 respectively. Specifically, the proposed changes modify TS Sections 3.8.4, "DC-Sources Operating," 3.8.5, "DC Sources - Shutdown," 3.8.6, "Battery Cell Parameters," and 5.5, "Programs and Manuals." The proposed changes request new actions for an inoperable battery charger and alternate battery charger testing criteria for Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.8.4 and 3.8.5. The proposed changes also include the relocation of a number of Surveillance Requirements (SRs) in TS Section 3.8.4 that perform preventive maintenance on the safety related batteries to a licensee-controlled program. It is proposed that TS Table 3.8.6-1, "Battery Cell Parameter Requirements," be relocated to a licensee-controlled program, and specific actions with associated completion times for out-of-limits conditions for battery cell voltage, electrolyte level, and electrolyte temperature be added to TS Section 3.8.6. In addition, specific SRs are being proposed for verification of these parameters.

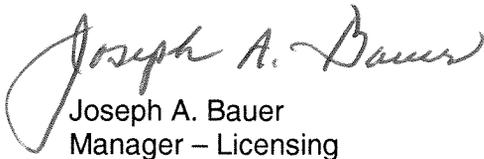
A new program is being proposed for the maintenance and monitoring of station batteries based on the recommendations of Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard 450-1995, "IEEE Recommended Practice for Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Vented Lead-Acid Batteries for Stationary Applications." The items proposed to be relocated will be contained within this new program.

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In Reference 2, the NRC requested additional information to complete the review of the subject license amendment. The response was requested to be submitted in writing within 30 days. It is EGC's intention to respond to certain questions in Reference 2 using insight gained from the Technical Specifications Task Force (TSTF) Working Group meeting with the NRC addressing TSTF-360, "Direct Current (DC) Electrical Rewrite," currently scheduled for July 12, 2006. In view of the TSTF working group meeting, EGC is requesting an extension of the response date from 30 days to 75 days. This will allow LSCS to review the outcome of the meeting and take into consideration the industry position on certain issues with TSTF-360 in the response.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Alison Mackellar at (630) 657-2817.

Respectfully,



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