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Subject: 10 CFR 50.91a No Significant Hazard Analysis for EVESR Technical Specifications, Amendment Seven  
Reference: License DR-10, Docket 50-183  
Enclosure 1) License Amendment Request 7, EVESR Technical Specifications (June 23, 2008)

GE-Hitachi submitted a license amendment request to the NRC for License DR-10, Docket 50-183 on June 23, 2008. License Amendment Request Seven identified two proposed changes to the Technical Specifications for the ESADA Vallecitos Experimental Superheat Reactor. In accordance with 10CFR 50.91 the proposed changes described in the license amendment request (enclosure 1) were analyzed for no significant hazards consideration using the standards in 10 CFR 50.92.

Proposed change one is an administrative change submitted to clarify the scope of work associated with the removal and disposal of component parts or devices from the EVESR facility as authorized by the facility license.

Proposed change two removes unnecessary access control and locking requirements to areas below the 549-ft elevation of the EVESR containment. These controls were likely implemented when the reactor was operating to provide additional controls to high radiation areas. Since the reactor is no longer operating and the radiological conditions have changed, locking access to areas below the 549-ft elevation is not required. All areas in the containment will be controlled in accordance with 10 CFR 20.1602, Control Of Access To High Radiations Areas if applicable based on routine radiological surveys.

The proposed changes to the technical specifications submitted in License Amendment 7 would not:

1. Involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated;
2. Create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or
3. Involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety

GE-Hitachi has determined that there are no significant hazards associated with operating the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 925-862-4092.

Sincerely Yours,

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