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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 141 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-64

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3

DOCKET NO. 50-286

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated October 19, 1993, the Power Authority of the State of New York (the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3 (IP3) Technical Specifications (TSs). The requested changes would modify the membership of the Safety Review Committee (SRC) described in TS 6.5.2.2 and modify TS 6.5.2.10 to change record keeping requirements.

2.0 EVALUATION

The licensee has proposed revisions to TS 6.5.2.2 that would revise the membership of the SRC to reflect the recent organizational change at the licensee's corporate office. In addition, the SRC record preparation and distribution requirements would also change TS 6.5.2.10 to be consistent with NUREG-1431, "Westinghouse Standard Technical Specifications" (WSTS).

One portion of the proposed amendment to TS 6.5.2.2 is a result of an organizational change within the licensee's corporate office which eliminated the position of Vice President - Nuclear Support (VP-NS). The groups previously reporting to the VP-NS will now report to the Vice President - Nuclear Operations (VP-NO). The interests of those groups previously reporting to the VP-NS will continue to be represented because the VP-NO is already assigned as an SRC member. Replacement of the Director - Quality Assurance with the Vice President - Appraisal and Compliance Services as a member and SRC Vice Chairman would elevate quality assurance representation on the SRC and establish SRC membership at a more uniform management level. The proposed change in membership would put all SRC members, except consultants and the SRC Chairman, at the vice president level.

In addition to the changes in membership, the licensee proposed a change in TS 6.5.2.10 concerning record keeping requirements. The time limit for providing the Executive Vice President - Nuclear Generation with SRC meeting minutes and reports would change from 14 days to 30 days. This change is consistent with the WSTS.

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The staff has reviewed the above proposed changes and has concluded that they are acceptable since they are administrative in nature and do not involve any changes that would reduce plant safety.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the New York State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendment. The State official had no comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment relates to changes in administrative procedures and requirements. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendment.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Date: December 28, 1993

December 28, 1993

Docket No. 50-286

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Dear Mr. Beedle:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT FOR INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 3 (TAC NO. M88043)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 141 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-64 for the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3. The amendment consists of changes to the Technical Specifications (TSs) in response to your application transmitted by letter dated October 19, 1993.

The amendment revises TS 6.5.2.2 to change the membership of the Safety Review Committee (SRC). The proposed amendment also modifies TS 6.5.2.10 to change the time limit for providing the Executive Vice President - Nuclear Generation with SRC meeting minutes and reports of review.

A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is enclosed. A Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's next regular biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,
Original signed by:

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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosures:
1. Amendment No. 141 to DPR-64
2. Safety Evaluation

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