



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**
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April 15, 2010

Mr. Charles G. Pardee
President and Chief Nuclear Officer
Exelon Nuclear
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Warrenville, IL 60555

SUBJECT: BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2, AND BYRON STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2 – CORRECTION TO AMENDMENTS RE: DELETION OF E BAR DEFINITION AND REVISION TO REACTOR COOLANT SYSTEM SPECIFIC ACTIVITY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION (TAC NOS. ME0206, ME0207, ME0208, AND ME0209)

Dear Mr. Pardee:

On March 23, 2010 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System Accession No. ML100690386), the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Amendment No. 162 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-72 and Amendment No. 162 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2 (Braidwood), and Amendment No. 167 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-37 and Amendment No. 167 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-66 for the Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, respectively.

The amendments revised Technical Specifications (TSs) 1.1, "Definitions," and 3.4.16, "RCS [Reactor Coolant System] Specific Activity," and Surveillance Requirements 3.4.16.1, 3.4.16.2, and 3.4.16.3. The revisions replaced the current TS 3.4.16 limit on RCS gross specific activity with a new limit on RCS noble gas-specific activity. The revisions adopted TS Task Force (TSTF) Change Traveler, TSTF-490, "Deletion of E Bar Definition and Revision to RCS Specific Activity Tech Spec [sic]," Revision 0.

Subsequent to issuance, your staff noted that the amended license pages for Braidwood were not included in the package. Therefore, we are issuing the enclosed Amendment No. 162 pages for Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72 and NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, respectively.

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The NRC staff regrets any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marshall J. David". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Marshall" being more legible than the last name "David".

Marshall J. David, Senior Project Manager
Plant Licensing Branch III-2
Division of Operating Reactor Licensing
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. STN 50-456, STN 50-457,
STN 50-454, and STN 50-455

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- (3) Exelon Generation Company, pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70, to receive, possess, and use at any time any byproduct, source and special nuclear material as sealed neutron sources for reactor startup, sealed sources for reactor instrumentation and radiation monitoring equipment calibration, and as fission detectors in amounts as required;
 - (4) Exelon Generation Company, pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70, to receive, possess, and use in amounts as required any byproduct, source or special nuclear material without restriction to chemical or physical form, for sample analysis or instrument calibration or associated with radioactive apparatus or components; and
 - (5) Exelon Generation Company, pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70, to possess, but not separate, such byproduct and special nuclear materials as may be produced by the operation of the facility.
- C. The license shall be deemed to contain and is subject to the conditions specified in the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I and is subject to all applicable provisions of the Act and to the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission now or hereafter in effect; and is subject to the additional conditions specified or incorporated below:
- (1) Maximum Power Level

The licensee is authorized to operate the facility at reactor core power levels not in excess of 3586.6 megawatts thermal (100 percent rated power) in accordance with the conditions specified herein and other items identified in Attachment 1 to this license. The items identified in Attachment 1 to this license shall be completed as specified. Attachment 1 is hereby incorporated into this license.
 - (2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 162, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.
 - (3) Emergency Planning

In the event that the NRC finds that the lack of progress in completion of the procedures in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's final rule, 44 CFR Part 350, is an indication that a major substantive problem exists in achieving or maintaining an adequate state of emergency preparedness, the provisions of 10 CFR Section 50.54(s)(2) will apply.

material as sealed neutron sources for reactor startup, sealed sources for reactor instrumentation and radiation monitoring equipment calibration, and as fission detectors in amounts as required;

- (4) Exelon Generation Company, LLC pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70, to receive, possess, and use in amounts are required any byproduct, source or special nuclear material without restriction to chemical or physical form, for sample analysis or instrument calibration or associated with radioactive apparatus or components; and
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(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 162, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached to License No. NPF-72, dated July 2, 1987, are hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

(3) Emergency Planning

In the event that the NRC finds that the lack of progress in completion of the procedures in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's final rule, 44 CFR Part 350, is an indication that a major substantive problem exists in achieving or maintaining an adequate state of emergency preparedness, the provisions of 10 CFR Section 50.54(s)(2) will apply.

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