

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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September 5, 2012

Mr. Matthew W. Sunseri President and Chief Executive Officer Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation Post Office Box 411 Burlington, KS 66839

SUBJECT:

WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION - WITHDRAWAL OF AN

AMENDMENT REQUEST (TAC NO. ME4996)

Dear Mr. Sunseri:

By letter dated November 4, 2010 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML103200209), as supplemented by letters dated October 19, 2011, and January 31, 2012 (ADAMS Accession Nos. ML11312A137 and ML12039A091, respectively), you applied for an amendment to the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Facility Operating License No. NPF-42. The proposed change would have revised the Wolf Creek Generating Station Technical Specification 5.6.5, "Core Operating Limits Report (COLR)." Specifically, the amendment would replace the existing best estimate large break loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) analysis methodology with a methodology based on the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)-approved Westinghouse topical report WCAP-16009-P-A, "Realistic Large Break LOCA Evaluation Methodology Using Automated Statistical Treatment of Uncertainty Method (ASTRUM)," January 2005. Subsequently, by letter dated August 23, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML12248A261), you withdrew the amendment request.

The NRC has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Brian J/Benney, Senior Project Manager Plant Licensing Branch IV

Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-482

Enclosure:

Notice of Withdrawal

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[Docket No. 50-382; NRC-20YY-XXXX]

Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation

Wolf Creek Generating Station

Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License amendment application; withdrawal.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (the licensee) to withdraw its application dated November 4, 2010 (ADAMS Accession No. ML103200209), as supplemented by letters dated October 19, 2011 (ADAMS Accession No. ML11312A137), and January 31, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML12039A091), for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-42 for the Wolf Creek Generating Station, located in Coffey County, Kansas.

The proposed amendment would have revised Technical Specification (TS) 5.6.5, "CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT (COLR)," to replace the existing large break loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) analysis methodology. Specifically, the proposed change adds a reference to WCAP-16009-P-A, "Realistic Large Break LOCA Evaluation Methodology Using Automated Statistical Treatment of Uncertainty Method (ASTRUM)," to TS 5.6.5b.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the *Federal Register* on December 28, 2010 (75 FR 81673).

However, by letter dated August 23, 2012 (ADAMS Accession No. ML12248A261), the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated November 4, 2010, as supplemented by letters dated October 19, 2011, and January 31, 2012, and the licensee's letter dated August 23, 2012, which withdrew the application for license amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 5th day of September 2012.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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