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Docket No. 50-206
LS05-83-03-016

Mr. R. Dietch, Vice President
Nuclear Engineering and Operations
Southern California Edison Company
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Dear Mr. Dietch:

SUBJECT: DELETION OF WATER QUALITY TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Unit No. 1
(Proposed Change Nos. 94, 108 and 118)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 67 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-13 for San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Unit No. 1. This amendment consists of changes to the Technical Specifications in response to your application dated January 7, 1983. Your application supersedes your request dated October 15, 1980.

By issuance of this amendment your request of January 5, 1982 (Proposed Change No. 108), which pertains to the allowable phosphate discharge limit, is no longer applicable and, therefore, will not be reviewed.

The amendment deletes Section 2.0 of the Appendix B Environmental Technical Specifications (ETS) which pertain to the non-radiological water quality-related requirements, as required by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972.

Your basis for the requested deletion of water quality limits and monitoring programs is that these aquatic requirements are now under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as established by the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. Therefore, water quality conditions in existing reactor operating licenses should be removed as a matter of law where the licensee holds, as you do, an effective National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

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We concur in the deletion of the aquatic requirements and will rely on the NPDES permit system which is administered by EPA for regulation and protection of the aquatic environment. However, the NRC staff still wishes to remain informed about any changes in your NPDES permit and any violations of this permit. Accordingly, as discussed with your staff,

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you have agreed to provide NRC with a copy of any changes to the NPDES discharge permit and any permit violations requiring notification to the permitting agency at the time this information is reported to or received from the permitting agency. This information is to be submitted to the appropriate Regional Administrator with a copy to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

Please confirm this commitment in writing within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

We discussed with your representative our plan to delete the subject ETS without approving your Environmental Protection Plan. We and your representative mutually agreed with this proposal.

We have determined that the deletion of these water quality requirements is a ministerial action required as a matter of law, and will not result in any significant environmental impact. Having made this determination, we have further concluded that the amendment involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) that an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

Since the amendment applies only to deletion of water quality requirements, we have concluded that: (1) the amendment does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated, does not create the possibility of an accident of a type different from any evaluated previously, does not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety, and therefore does not involve a significant hazards consideration, (2) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and (3) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

A copy of the Notice of Issuance is also enclosed.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Dennis M. Crutchfield, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #5
Division of Licensing

Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No. 67 to License No. DPR-13
- 2. Notice of Issuance

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We concur in the deletion of the aquatic requirements and will rely on the NPDES permit system which is administered by EPA for regulation and protection of the aquatic environment.

We discussed with your representative our plan to delete the subject ETS without approving your Environmental Protection Plan. We and your representative mutually agreed with this proposal.

We have determined that the deletion of these water quality requirements is a ministerial action required as a matter of law, and will not result in any significant environmental impact. Having made this determination, we have further concluded that the amendment involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) that an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

Since the amendment applies only to deletion of water quality requirements, we have concluded that: (1) the amendment does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated, does not create the possibility of an accident of a type different from any evaluated previously, does not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety, and therefore does not involve a significant hazards consideration, (2) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and (3) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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We discussed with your representative our plan to delete the subject ETS without approving your Environmental Protection Plan. We and your representative mutually agreed with this proposal.

We will be contacting you later to provide additional information pertaining to Paragraph 3 of the license amendment, which relates to P.L. 97-425, Waste Act of 1983.

We have determined that the deletion of these water quality requirements is a ministerial action required as a matter of law. We have also determined that these changes do not authorize a change in effluent types or total amounts nor an increase in power level, and will not result in any significant environmental impact. Having made this determination, we have further concluded that the amendment involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and pursuant to 10 CFR 51.5(d)(4) that an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

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We would object subject to alterations noted in letter and in amendment

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