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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 50-261

CAROLINA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT AND NEGATIVE DECLARATION TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 66 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-23 issued to Carolina Power and Light Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the H. B. Robinson Steam Electric Plant, Unit No. 2, (the facility) located in Darlington County, South Carolina. The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

The amendment revises the Technical Specifications to permit dilution of liquid radioactive wastes using Unit No. 1 circulating pumps when Unit No. 2 circulating pumps are not available.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was not required since this amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

The Commission has prepared an environmental impact appraisal for the revised Technical Specifications and has concluded that an environmental impact statement for this particular action is not warranted because there will be no environmental impact attributable to the action other than that which has already been predicted and described in the Commission's Final Environmental Statement for the facility dated April 1975.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated January 28, 1982, (2) Amendment No. 66 to License No. DPR-23, (3) The Commission's related Safety Evaluation and (4) the Commission's Environmental Impact Appraisal. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Hartsville Memorial Library, Home and Fifth Avenues, Hartsville, South Carolina 29550. A copy of items (2), (3) and (4) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Licensing.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 17th day of March, 1982.

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