

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION) Docket No. 50-220
(Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station)
Unit No. 1))

REQUEST FOR MODIFICATION OF ORDER

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR-63, hereby requests that the Order for Modification of License issued to it on January 9, 1981 by Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director of Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, be modified as described below.

On January 9, 1981, the Director Division of Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, issued an order requiring the installation of an automatic air dump system as an interim protection against degraded air conditions in BWR control air supply systems which would lead to loss of scram capability. This Automatic Dump System, as described by paragraph IV of the January 9, 1981 order, was ordered to be installed by April 9, 1981. This order was based upon measures set forth in the generic Safety Evaluation Report - BWR SCRAM DISCHARGE SYSTEM, dated December 1, 1980, and supplemented January 12, 1981 (Supplement 1, Generic Safety Evaluation Report, BWR SCRAM DISCHARGE SYSTEM, dated January 12, 1981).

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The purpose of the January 9, 1981 order is to implement interim measures until permanent modifications are in place to improve the hydraulic coupling between the scram discharge volume and the scram level instrumentation. Since Niagara Mohawk will implement such permanent modifications as described in item 1 of a letter dated October 27, 1980 to Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, during its next refueling outage, scheduled to begin at the end of the first week in March 1981 there is no need to implement interim measures in Niagara Mohawk's case.

THEREFORE, Niagara Mohawk respectfully requests the January 9, 1981 Order be modified so as to permit the installation of permanent modifications in lieu of temporary measures.

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

By Donald P. Dise
Donald P. Dise
Vice President - Engineering

Subscribed and sworn to before
me on this 4th day of February, 1981.

Cynthia A. Petta
Notary Public

CYNTHIA A. PETTA
Notary Public in the State of New York
Qualified in Onondaga Co. No. 4682225
My Commission Expires March 30, 1982

