

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 77 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-63

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. 50-220

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated October 17, 1985, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC) (the licensee) requested an amendment to Appendix A of the Operating License No. DPR-63 for Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1. The amendment request involves a modification of the Technical Specifications (TS) by changing Figure 6.2.1 to reflect a change in the management organization of the licensee.

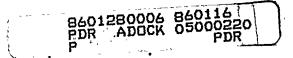
2.0 EVALUATION

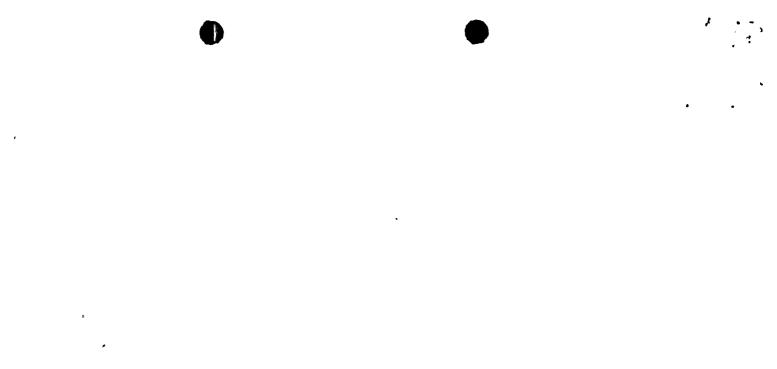
The proposed change to the TS requested by the licensee reflects a change to the management organization at NMPC. Figure 6.2.1 has been changed to show that the duties and authority of the Executive Director of Nuclear Operations have been assumed by the Senior Vice President as a result of an action by the Board of Directors of the Niagara Mohawk Corporation. In the new organization the Senior Vice President is responsible for all aspects of nuclear engineering, nuclear licensing and operation at the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1.

The change proposed in the application presented by the licensee restores the organization to a form that is essentially the same as the one which was utilized to operate the facility prior to the inception of the position of Executive Director of Nuclear Operations. The organization that is being proposed by the licensee is virtually the same as one that has been previously approved by the Staff. Further, the licensee has demonstrated that the proposed organization is a suitable one for facility operation by virtue of its successful operation of the facility with a very similiar one in the past. In addition, the licensee has demonstrated that Mr. C. V. Mangan is highly qualified and has the requisite skills and knowledge to ensure safe continued operation of the facility. Therefore, we find the proposed change acceptable.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment involves a change in an administrative procedure or requirement. Accordingly, this amendment meets the eligibility critera set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement nor environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.





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4.0 CONCLUSION

We have concluded, based on the above considerations that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and (2) 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 nor to the health and safety of the public.

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Dated: January 16, 1986.

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