



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

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 106 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-63

NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION

NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. 50-220

INTRODUCTION

By letter dated September 22, 1988, the licensee proposed to revise the facility Technical Specification 3.4.5a by changing the phrase "...when containment integrity is required" to read "...when reactor building integrity is required." It was intended that this change would improve the accuracy and clarity of the Technical Specifications.

EVALUATION

The current Technical Specification 3.4.5 indicates that the Control Room Air Treatment System must be operable when containment integrity is required. However, "containment integrity" is not defined within the Technical Specifications.

The reactor building provides secondary containment. The Control Room Air Treatment System must be operable whenever reactor building (secondary containment) integrity is required. Since reactor building integrity is defined in the Technical Specifications (Definition 1.12, Reactor Building Integrity), the proposed change requires the Control Room Air Treatment System to be operable whenever reactor building integrity is required. This change will improve the accuracy and clarity of the Technical Specifications. The change is acceptable to the NRC staff.

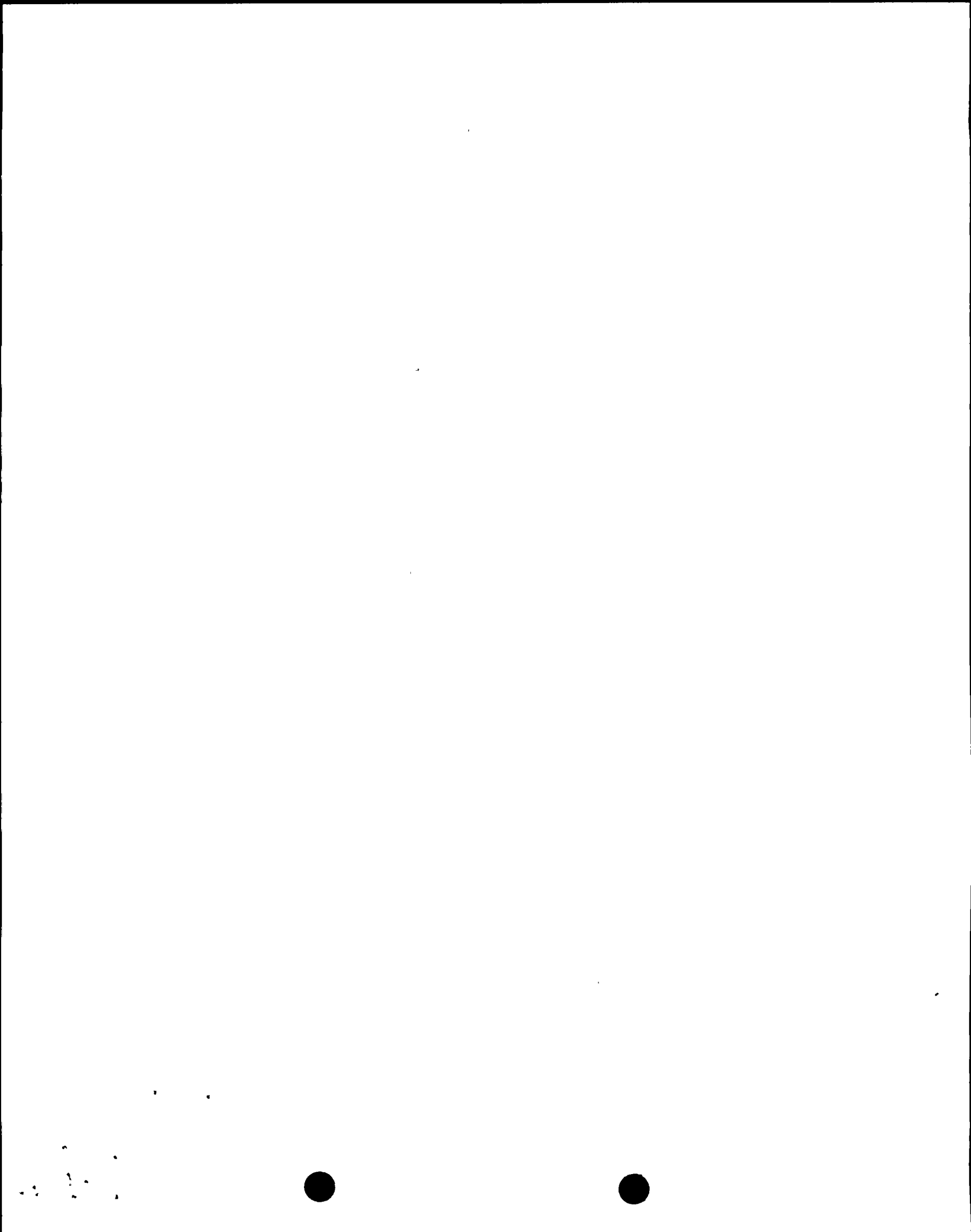
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment involves a change to recordkeeping, reporting or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of this amendment.

CONCLUSION

We have concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be

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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 these amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Dated: June 19, 1989

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