



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

SAFETY-EVALUATION-BY-THE-OFFICE-OF-NUCLEAR-REACTOR-REGULATION

RELATED-TO-AMENDMENTS-NOS.124--AND-32-TO-FACILITY-OPERATING

LICENSE-NOS.,DPR-63-AND-NRF-69

NIAGARA-MOHAWK-POWER-CORPORATION

NINE-MILE-POINT-NUCLEAR-STATION,-UNIT-NOS.-1-AND-2

DOCKET-NOS.-50-220-AND-50-410

1.0 INTRODUCTION

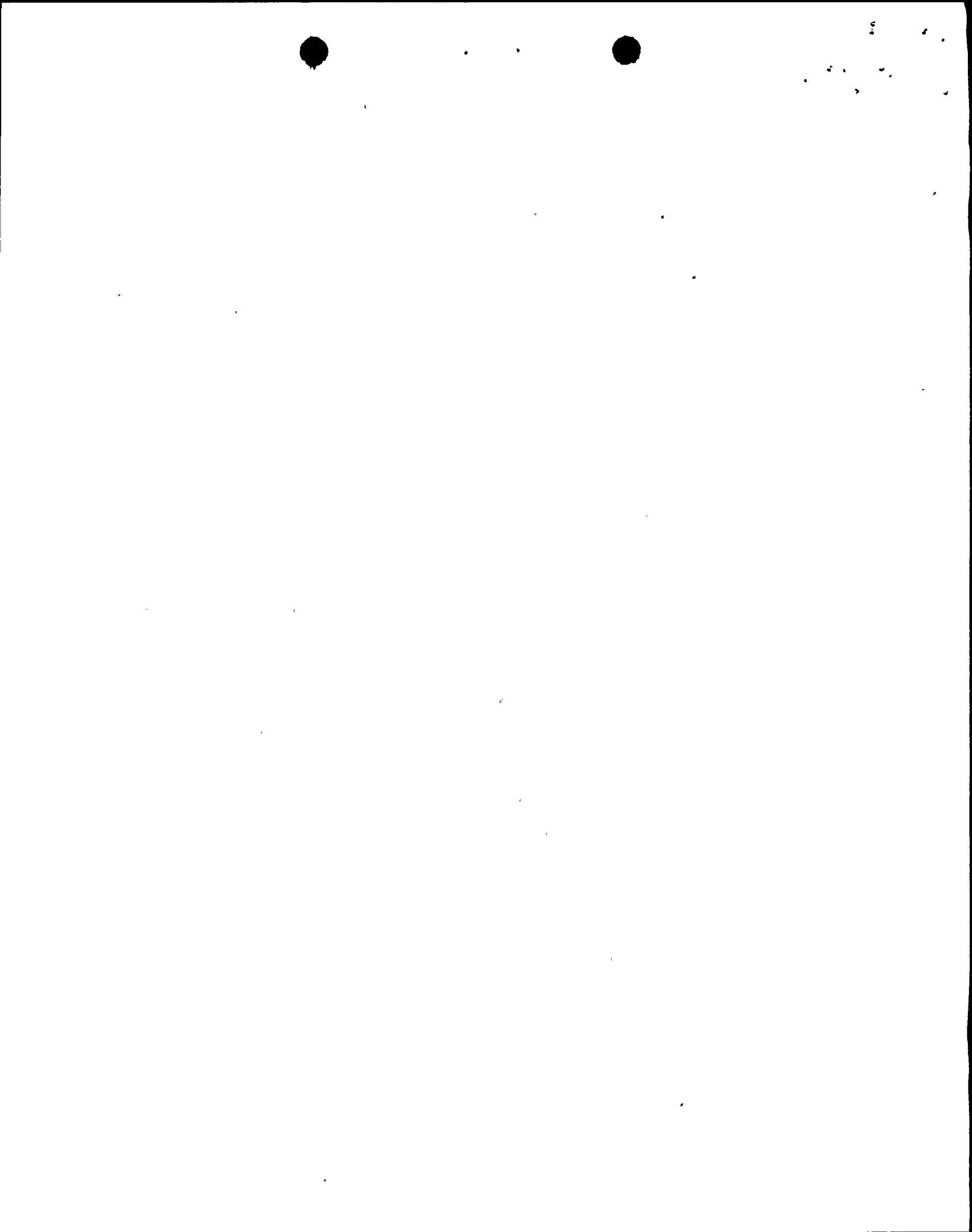
By letters (one for each unit) dated March 13, 1991, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, the licensee, submitted a request for changes to Technical Specifications for the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2. The requested changes would revise Technical Specifications 6.5.1-2, 6-12.1c., and 6.12.2. The proposed amendments would reflect organizational changes which would establish distinct lines of authority and responsibility for radiation protection at each unit.

2.0 EVALUATION

The proposed amendments would revise Technical Specifications Section 6.0, Administrative Controls, to replace the Manager Health Physics for each unit with a Manager Radiation Protection for each unit. In the proposed organization, a Manager Radiation Protection for each unit would report directly to the Plant Manager for that unit and would assume all the responsibilities previously assigned to the Manager Health Physics for each unit. In addition, each Manager Radiation Protection would assume the unit specific radiation protection and ALARA responsibilities previously held by the Manager Radiation Protection reporting within the site services organization. Within the site services organization, the Manager Radiation Protection would be replaced by the General Supervisor Radiological Support who would retain responsibility for the radiological support activities (i.e., respiratory protection, dosimetry, and radioactive shipping for shared radiological facilities).

The qualifications and responsibility of the Manager Radiation Protection for each unit would remain consistent with the requirements of Technical Specification 6.3, Staff Qualifications. The Manager Radiation Protection for each unit would also meet or exceed the qualifications of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September 1975. To be consistent with these proposed changes, the title Manager Health Physics would be replaced by the title Manager Radiation Protection in Technical Specifications 6.5.1.2, 6.12.1c., and 6.12.2.

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The staff has reviewed the proposed changes and has determined that since the proposed changes maintain equivalent levels of qualifications and responsibilities, the proposed changes are acceptable.

### 3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the New York State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State official had no comments.

### 4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendments involve a change in administrative procedures and requirements. Accordingly, the amendments meet 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 to be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendments.

### 5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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