Mr. Steven V. Lant Chief Financial Officer. Treasurer and Secretary Central Hudson Gas & **Electric Corporation** 284 South Avenue Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-4879

July 13, 1999

SUBJECT:

ORDER EXTENDING APPROVAL REGARDING RESTRUCTURING OF

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION BY ESTABLISHMENT OF A HOLDING COMPANY AFFECTING LICENSE NO. NPF-69, NINE MILE

POINT NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 2 (TAC NO. MA5725)

Dear Mr. Lant:

The enclosed Order responds to your application dated June 7, 1999, on behalf of Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (Applicant) for an extension of the expiration date specified in our Order dated July 19, 1998 (previous Order). In that previous Order, the NRC staff approved, pursuant to Section 50.80 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the proposed indirect transfer of Facility Operating License No. NPF-69, to the extent it is held by Applicant, to an unnamed holding company to be created over Applicant in accordance with electric industry restructuring goals established by the New York State Public Service Commission.

The NRC staff has considered the information provided in your application, and has determined that Applicant has demonstrated good cause to extend the effectiveness of our previous Order. Accordingly, the expiration date set forth in our previous Order is extended until midnight, June 30, 2000.

The enclosed Order has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

Darl S. Hood, Sr. Project Manager, Section I Project Directorate I

Division of Licensing Project Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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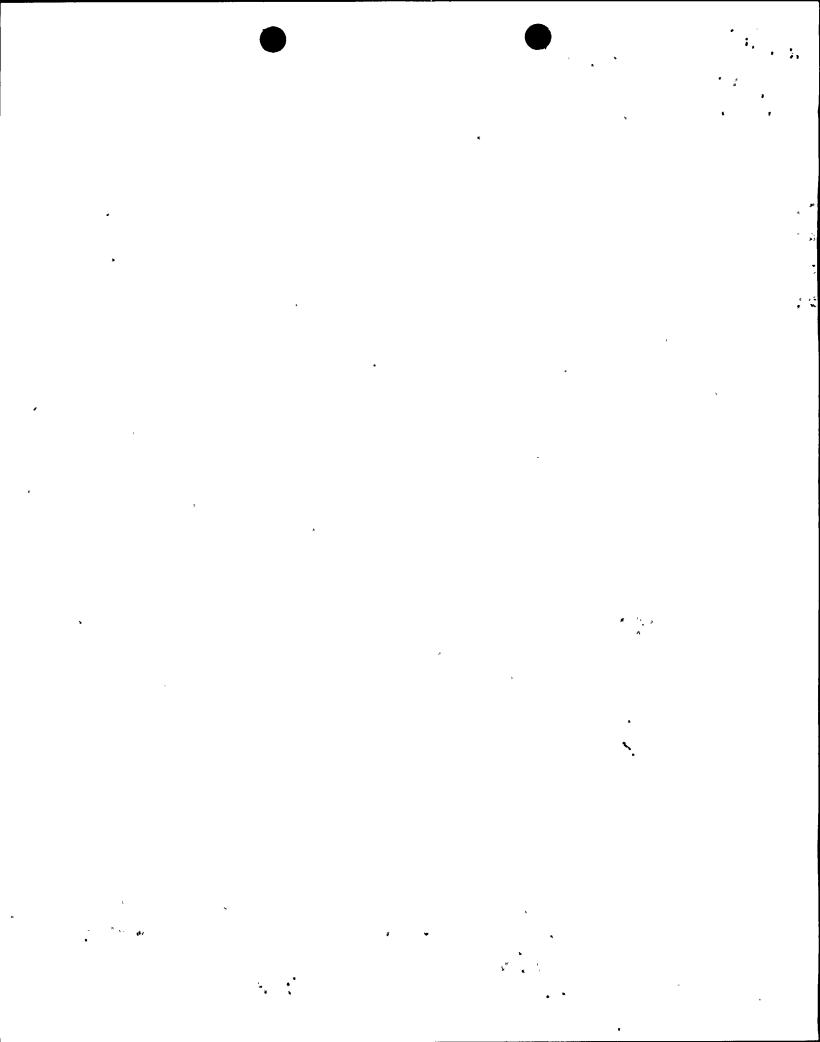
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Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b and 161i of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, 42 USC §§ 2201(b) and 2201(i), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the effectiveness of of the Order of July 19, 1998, approving the application regarding the proposed restructuring of Applicant by the establishment of a holding company, is extended such that if the restructuring is not completed by June 30, 2000, the Order of July 19, 1998, as hereby extended, shall become null and void.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see letter and request dated June 7, 1999, from Applicant which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Reference and Documents Department, Penfield Library, State University of New York, Oswego, New York 13126.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

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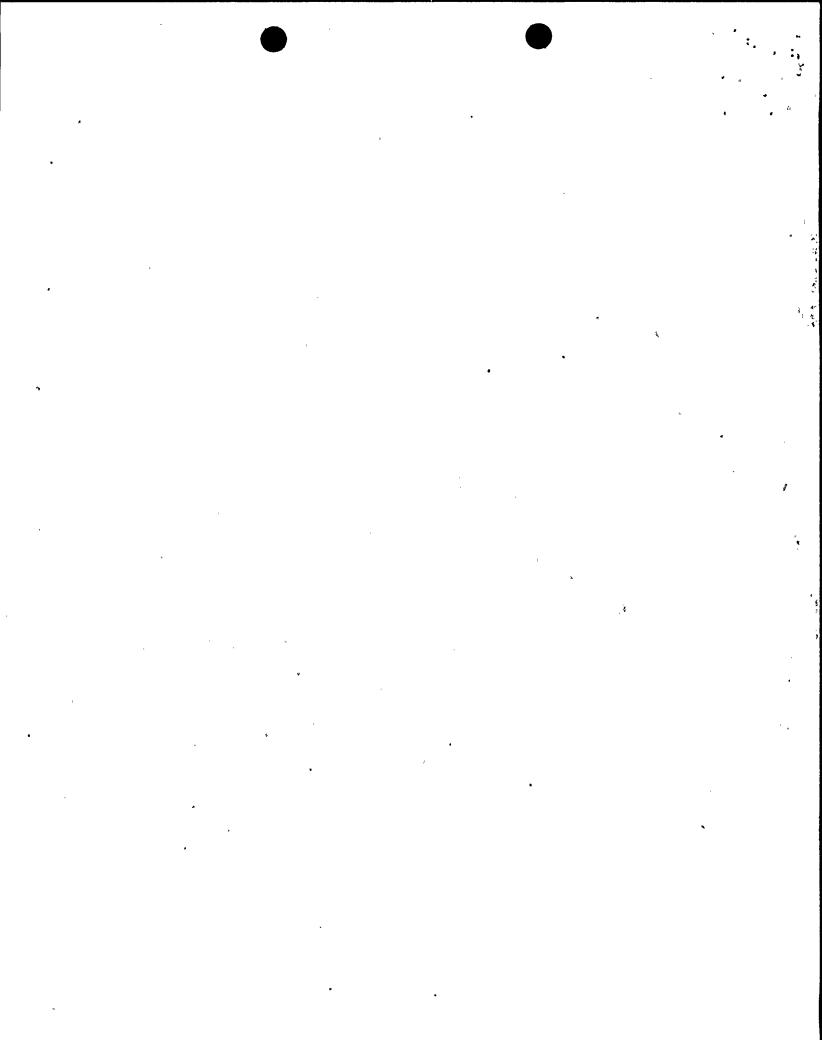
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