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RE: Nine Mile Point Unit 2
Docket No. 50-410
NPF-69

Subject: *Request for Additional Information Regarding Improved Technical Specification (ITS) Section 5.0 for the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (TAC No. MA3822)*

Gentlemen:

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (NMPC) transmitted an Application for Amendment regarding conversion of the Nine Mile Point Unit 2 Current Technical Specifications (CTS) to the ITS by letter dated October 16, 1998 (NMP2L 1830). Subsequently, by letter dated May 18, 1999, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission requested additional information pertaining to our Application for Amendment. On June 15, 1999, in response to question 5.5-04, NMPC stated that a response would be submitted by July 30, 1999.

Attached to this letter is the response for Question 5.5-04.

Very truly yours,

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SECTION 5.0, ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

5.5-04

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CTS 4.6.5.3/4.7.3
JFD 8
ITS 5.5.7.e
STS 5.5.8.e

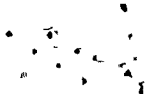
ITS 5.5.7.e uses the additional term "nominal" in reference to the "value specified below..." JFD 8 states that this change has been done to ensure that the proper plant specific information/nomenclature is correctly provided. CTS 4.6.5.3 and CTS 4.7.3 does not use the term.

Comment:

Either remove the term "nominal" or provide discussion of change to justify this change in the CTS and the STS.

NMPC Response:

NMPC reevaluated the use of the word "nominal" and its current practice for verifying that the heaters dissipate the appropriate kW value. Based upon that review, the term "nominal" will be removed from ITS 5.5.7.e, and a specified voltage condition will be provided to which the associated wattage will be verified. A discussion of the change will be provided justifying this voltage condition, when the change is submitted.



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