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 & proposed amend to license NPF-22 re main. steam line
 radiation monitor setpoint rev & rev to radioactive gaseous
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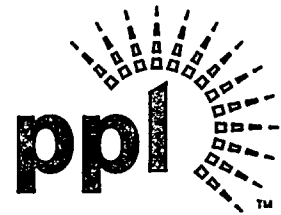
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**SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION
WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT
NO. 205 TO LICENSE NO. NPF-14 AND PROPOSED
AMENDMENT NO. 170 TO LICENSE NO. NPF-22:
MAIN STEAM LINE RADIATION MONITOR SETPOINT
CHANGE AND CHANGE TO RADIOACTIVE GASEOUS
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**Docket Nos. 50-387
and 50-388**

Reference: 1) R. G. Byram to USNRC, "Proposed Amendment No. 205 to License NPF-14 and Proposed Amendment No. 170 to License NPF-22: Main Steam Line Radiation Monitor Setpoint Change and Change to Radioactive Gaseous Effluent Monitoring System," dated March 16, 1998 (PLA-4822).

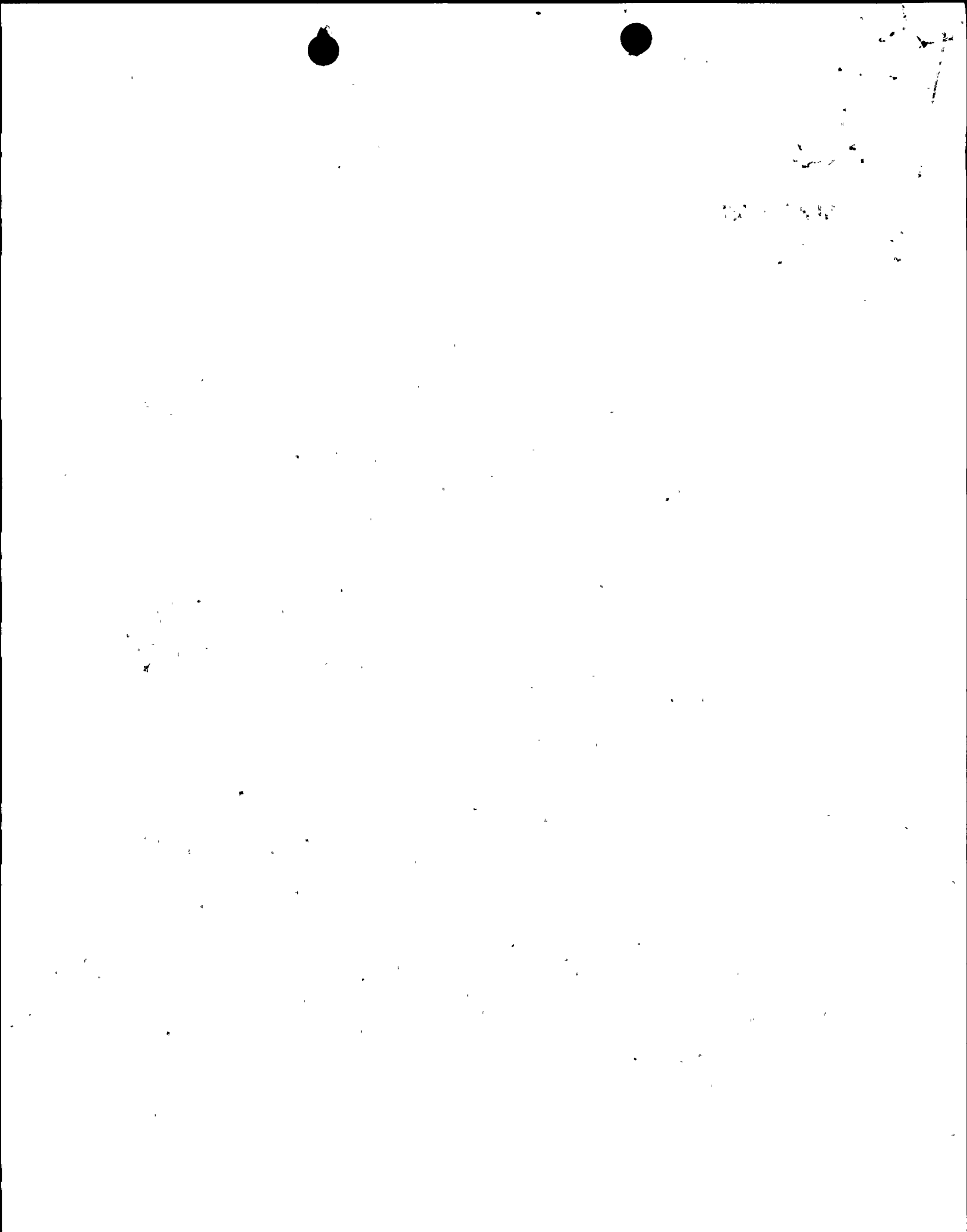
2) R. G. Byram to USNRC, "Calculations Supporting a Revision to the Licensing Basis for the Offgas System," dated February 9, 1998.

Pursuant to this letter, PP&L, Inc. (PP&L) requests that:

- the proposed Technical Specification amendments identified in reference 1 be withdrawn,
- NRC docket their evaluation associated with the review of the proposed main steam line radiation monitor setpoint change, and
- NRC docket their evaluation that the Susquehanna SES offgas system pressure boundary is detonation resistant.

The referenced proposed Technical Specification amendment was submitted prior to issuance of the Improved Technical Specifications (ITS). The ITS amendment was subsequently issued on 7/31/98. In accordance with ITS those sections of the proposed Technical Specification amendment have been relocated to the Technical Requirements Manual (TRM). Therefore, the proposed amendment is being withdrawn because the affected proposed amendment sections are no longer in the ITS, and have been relocated from the ITS to the TRM, which is controlled by PP&L. Revisions to the TRM will be made pursuant to the 10CFR50.59 change process.

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PP&L requests that the NRC docket their evaluation that has been developed for the proposed main steam line radiation monitor setpoint change submitted in reference 1. NRC's evaluation of the setpoint change will be utilized to support PP&L's 10CFR50.59 safety evaluation that is required to change the main steam radiation monitor setpoint in the TRM. PP&L has determined that there will be an incremental increase in the offsite dose as a result of the proposed setpoint change and the increase in the main steam line radiation monitor setpoint requires NRC review and approval. The SER will provide NRC confirmation that this setpoint change is acceptable.

Additionally, PP&L is requesting that the NRC docket their evaluation of PP&L's determination that the Susquehanna SES offgas system pressure boundary is detonation resistant. This request was made pursuant to reference 2 and is necessary to support the implementation of Hydrogen Water Chemistry (HWC). PP&L recognizes that the NRC evaluation that the offgas system pressure boundary is detonation resistant only applies to the existing piping design. Changes made to the design of the offgas system, to support HWC, will be made in accordance with the 10CFR50.59 change process. This change process will determine if proposed changes to the existing design will require NRC review and approval to implement.

In summary, PP&L requests that the NRC evaluation associated with the main steam line radiation monitor setpoint change, and the NRC evaluation that the Susquehanna SES offgas system pressure boundary is detonation resistant, be provided upon completion of the NRC reviews. An expeditious response is requested to support the existing schedule for the implementation of HWC.

If you have any questions concerning this withdrawal request please contact Mr. J. M. Kenny at (610) 774-7535.

Sincerely,



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