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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 20 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-18
ROCHESTER GAS AND ELECTRIC CORPORATION
R. E. GINNA NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
DOCKET NO. 50-244

INTRODUCTION

In early 1985, Duke Power Company brought to the attention of the NRC the following inconsistency in Catawba Nuclear Station Unit 1 Technical Specifications. Technical Specifications 6.10.1 required that a number of records, which are also required by the station's Operational Quality Assurance Manual (OQAM) be retained for at least 5 years. However, Technical Specification 6.10.2 required that the records of QA activities required by the OQAM be retained for the duration of the Unit's operating license.

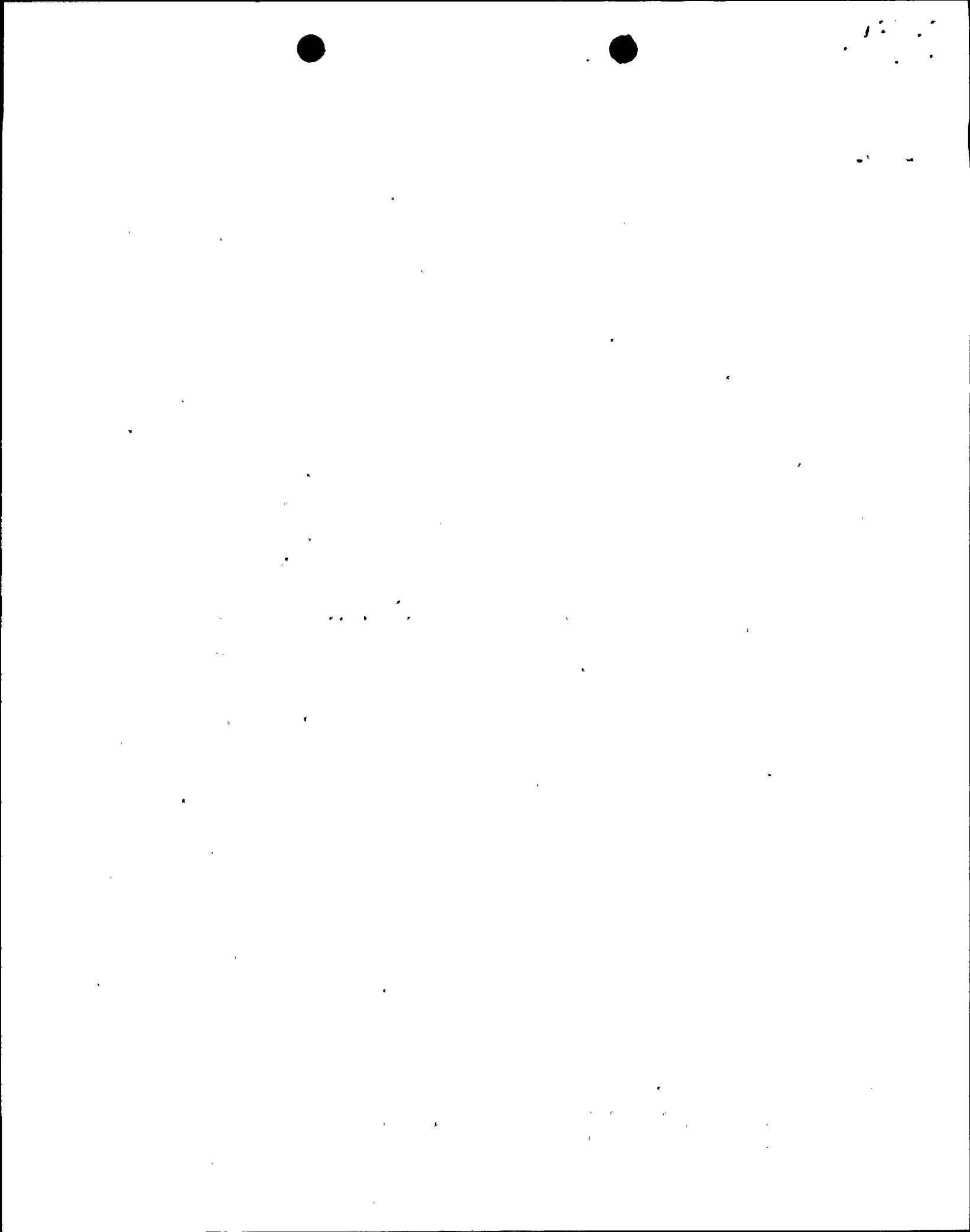
The NRC staff has reviewed this inconsistency and recommended, as stated in Reference 1, that (1) the words "not listed in section 6.10.1" be added to section 6.10.2 of Catawba Unit 1 Technical Specifications, and (2) the NRC staff review the Technical Specifications of all other Operating Reactors and recommend the same amendment, if required.

In response to this NRC recommendation, the Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation reviewed the Technical Specifications for its R. E. Ginna Nuclear Plant and submitted a license amendment request (see Reference 2) to resolve the above stated inconsistency existing in the facility's Technical Specifications (TS). Specifically, the amendment request would change TS 6.10.2 related to records of Quality Assurance activities to read, "Records of Quality Assurance Activities as required by QA manual not listed in 6.10.1." The phrase, "not listed in 6.10.1" would be added.

EVALUATION

The staff has reviewed the above request for a license amendment and found it acceptable as it resolves an existing inconsistency in the facility's TS and is consistent with the staff positions documented in References 1, 3 and 4.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment involves an administrative change to achieve consistency in the Technical Specifications. Accordingly, with respect to this item, this amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 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 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 this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

REFERENCES

1. Memorandum from B. K. Grimes (NRC - Director, Division of Quality Assurance, Vendor, and Technical Training Center Programs) to H. L. Thompson (NRC - Director, Division of Licensing) dated February 28, 1985; subject: Catawba QA Record Retention.
2. Letter from R. W. Kober (RG&E - V. P., Electric and Steam Production) to H. R. Denton (NRC - Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation) dated July 19, 1985; subject: Application for Amendment to Operating License to Clarify a Potential Inconsistency in the Record Retention Requirements.
3. Memorandum from J. A. Zwolinski (NRC - Chief, Operating Reactors Branch #5) to D. Nottingham (NRC - Division of Licensing) dated September 16, 1985; subject: Request for Publication in Biweekly FR Notice - Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination and Opportunity for Hearing. (TAC #59601).
4. Memorandum from H. L. Thompson (NRC - Director, Division of Licensing) to T. M. Novak, G. L. Lainas, D. M. Crutchfield (NRC - Assistant Directors, Division of Licensing) dated March 15, 1985; subject: QA Record Retention.

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