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PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 59 License No. NPF-41

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:

- The application for amendment by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS or the licensee) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority dated December 26, 1991, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
- The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the Β. provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission:
- There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by C. this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
- D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
- Ε. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
- Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical 2. Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-41 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 59, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated into this license. APS shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan, except where otherwise stated in specific license conditions.

This license amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and must be fully implemented no later than 45 days from the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Theodore R. Quay, Director Project Directorate V Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: . Changes to the Technical Specifications

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT NO. 59 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-41

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ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

3/4.8.2 D.C. SOURCES

OPERATNG

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.2.1 As a minimum the D.C. trains listed in Table 3.8-1 shall be OPERABLE and energized.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3, and 4.

ACTION:

- a. With one of the required D.C. trains inoperable, restore the inoperable D.C. trains to OPERABLE status within 2 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- b. With one of the required chargers inoperable, either provide charging capability to the affected channel with the associated backup battery charger, or demonstrate the OPERABILITY of its associated battery bank by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1a.1. within 1 hour, and at least once per 8 hours thereafter. If any Category A limit in Table 4.8-2 is not met, declare the battery inoperable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.8.2.1 Each 125-volt battery bank and charger shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 7 days by verifying that:
 - 1. The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category A limits, and
 - 2. The total battery terminal voltage is greater than or equal to 129 volts on float charge (Exide) or 131 volts on float charge (AT&T).

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SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

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b.	At le with overc verif	ast once per 92 days and within 7 days after a battery discharge battery terminal voltage below 105 volts, or battery harge with battery terminal voltage above 150 volts, by ying that:	
, 's	1. '	The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category B limits,	
े पर । ।	2.	There is no visible corrosion at either terminals or connectors, or the connection resistance of these items is less than 150 x 10- ⁶ ohms, and	
T	3.	The average electrolyte temperature of six connected cells is above 60°F.	
c. '	At lea	ast once per 18 months by verifying that:	
	1 .	The cells, cell plates, and battery racks show no visual indication of physical damage or abnormal deterioration,	
v	[*] 2.	The cell-to-cell and terminal connections are clean, tight, and coated with anticorrosion material,	
ĩ	3.	The resistance of each cell-to-cell and terminal connection is less than or equal to 150 x 10 ⁻⁶ ohms, and	
	.4. 	The battery charger will supply at least 400 amperes for batteries A and B and 300 amperes for batteries C and D at 125 volts for at least 8 hours.	
d. .	At lea batter status duty o	ast once per 18 months, during shutdown, by verifying that the ry capacity is adequate to supply and maintain in OPERABLE s all of the actual or simulated emergency loads for the design cycle when the battery is subjected to a battery service test.	
е.	At least once per 60 months, during shutdown, by verifying that the battery capacity is at least 80% (Exide) or 90% (AT&T) of the manufacturer's rating when subjected to a performance discharge test. This performance discharge test may be performed in lieu of the battery service test required by Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1d.		
• f.	Annua to any the so indica 5% (A) tests rating	l performance discharge tests of battery capacity shall be given y battery that shows signs of degradation or has reached 85% of ervice life expected for the application. Degradation is ated when the battery capacity drops more than 10% (Exide) or T&T) of rated capacity from its average on previous performance , or is below 90% (Exide) or 95% (AT&T) of the manufacturer's g.	

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TABLE 4.8-2 (EXIDE)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

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-	•	CATEGORY A ⁽¹⁾	CATEGORY B ⁽²⁾		
,	Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell	
	Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level indication mark, and < ½" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and <u><</u> ¼" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing	
	Float Voltage	<u>></u> 2.13 volts	\geq 2.13 volts(a)	> 2.07 volts	
	Specific Gravity(b)	•	<u>≥</u> 1.195	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells	
•		<u>></u> 1.200(c)	Average of all connected cells > 1.205	Average of all connected cells > 1.195(c)	

- (1) For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
- (b) Corrected for electrolyte temperature and level.
- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.

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<u>TABLE 4.8-2</u> (AT&T)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

· · · ·	CATEGORY A ⁽¹⁾	CATEGORY B ⁽²⁾			
Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell		
Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level indication mark, and < 찿" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and < ¼" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing		
Float Voltage	<u>></u> 2.18 volts	<u>></u> 2.18 volts(a)	> 2.14 volts		
Specific Gravity(b)		<u>≥</u> 1.280	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells		
• •	<u>></u> 1.290(c)	Average of all connected cells > 1.290	Average of all connected cells > 1.280(c)		

- (1) For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
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- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.

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ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

BASES

A.C. SOURCES, D.C. SOURCES AND ONSITE POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS (Continued)

The surveillance requirement for demonstrating the OPERABILITY of the Station batteries are based on the recommendations of Regulatory Guide 1.129, "Maintenance Testing and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Nuclear Power Plants," February 1978, and IEEE Std 450-1980, "IEEE Recommended Practice for Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Generating Stations and Substations."

Verifying average electrolyte temperature above the minimum for which the battery was sized, total battery terminal voltage on float charge, connection resistance values and the performance of battery service and discharge tests ensures the effectiveness of the charging system, the ability to handle high discharge rates and compares the battery capacity at that time with the rated capacity.

Table 4.8-2 specifies the normal limits for each designated pilot cell and each connected cell for electrolyte level, float voltage and specific gravity. The limits for the designated pilot cells float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity or a battery charger current that had stabilized at a low value, is characteristic of a charged cell with adequate capacity. The normal limits for each connected cell for float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity with an average specific gravity of all the connected cells not more than 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity, ensures the OPERABILITY and capability of the battery.

Operation with a battery cell's parameter outside the normal limit but within the allowable value specified in Table 4.8-2 is permitted for up to 7 days. During this 7-day period: (1) the allowable values for electrolyte level ensures no physical damage to the plates with an adequate electron transfer capability; (2) the allowable value for the average specific gravity of all the cells, not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's recommended full charge specific gravity, ensures that the decrease in rating will be less than the safety margin provided in sizing; (3) the allowable value for an individual cell's specific gravity, ensures that an individual cell's specific gravity will not be more than 0.040 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity and that the overall capability of the battery will be maintained within an acceptable limit; and (4) the allowable value for an individual cell's float voltage, greater than 2.07 volts (Exide) 2.14 volts (AT&T), ensures the battery's capability to perform its design function.

If any other metallic structures (e.g., buildings, new or modified piping systems, conduit) are placed in the ground in the vicinity of the fuel oil storage system or if the original system is modified, the adequacy and frequency of inspections of the cathodic protection system shall be re-evaluated and adjusted in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.137.

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ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, ET AL.

DOCKET NO. STN 50-529

PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 46 License No. NPF-51

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS or the licensee) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority dated December 26, 1991, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Part I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
- 2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-51 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 46, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated into this license. APS shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan, except where otherwise stated in specific license conditions.

This license amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and must be fully implemented no later than 45 days from the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Theodore & Quay

Theodore R. Quay, Director Project Directorate V Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to the Technical Specifications

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT NO. 46 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-51

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3/4.8.2 D.C. SOURCES

OPERATNG

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.2.1 As a minimum the D.C. trains listed in Table 3.8-1 shall be OPERABLE and energized.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3, and 4.

ACTION:

- a. With one of the required D.C. trains inoperable, restore the inoperable D.C. trains to OPERABLE status within 2 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- b. With one of the required chargers inoperable, either provide charging capability to the affected channel with the associated backup battery charger, or demonstrate the OPERABILITY of its associated battery bank by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1a.1. within 1 hour, and at least once per 8 hours thereafter. If any Category A limit in Table 4.8-2 is not met, declare the battery inoperable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.8.2.1 Each 125-volt battery bank and charger shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 7 days by verifying that:
 - 1. The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category A limits, and
 - 2. The total battery terminal voltage is greater than or equal to 129 volts on float charge (Exide) or 131 volts on float charge (AT&T)



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SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- b. At least once per 92 days and within 7 days after a battery discharge with battery terminal voltage below 105 volts, or battery overcharge with battery terminal voltage above 150 volts, by verifying that:
 - 1. The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category B limits,
 - 2. There is no visible corrosion at either terminals or connectors, or the connection resistance of these items is less than 150×10^{-6} ohms, and
 - The average electrolyte temperature of six connected cells is above 60°F.
- c. At least once per 18 months by verifying that:
 - 1. The cells, cell plates, and battery racks show no visual indication of physical damage or abnormal deterioration,
 - 2. The cell-to-cell and terminal connections are clean, tight, and coated with anticorrosion material,
 - 3. The resistance of each cell-to-cell and terminal connection is less than or equal to 150×10^{-6} ohms, and
 - 4. The battery charger will supply at least 400 amperes for batteries A and B and 300 amperes for batteries C and D at 125 volts for at least 8 hours.
- d. At least once per 18 months, during shutdown, by verifying that the battery capacity is adequate to supply and maintain in OPERABLE status all of the actual or simulated emergency loads for the design duty cycle when the battery is subjected to a battery service test.
- e. At least once per 60 months, during shutdown, by verifying that the battery capacity is at least 80% (Exide) or 90% (AT&T) of the manufacturer's rating when subjected to a performance discharge test. This performance discharge test may be performed in lieu of the battery service test required by Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1d.
- f. Annual performance discharge tests of battery capacity shall be given to any battery that shows signs of degradation or has reached 85% of the service life expected for the application. Degradation is indicated when the battery capacity drops more than 10% (Exide) or 5% (AT&T) of rated capacity from its average on previous performance tests, or is below 90% (Exide) or 95% (AT&T) of the manufacturer's rating.



TABLE 4.8-2 (EXIDE)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

	ÇATEGORY A ⁽¹⁾	CATEGOR	_{Y B} (2)
Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell
Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level indication mark, and < ¼" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and < ¼" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing
Float Voltage	<u>≥</u> 2.13 volts	\geq 2.13 volts(a)	> 2.07 volts
Specific Gravity(b)	.= • •	<u>></u> 1.195	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells
•	≥ 1.200(c)	Average of all, connected cells > 1.205	Average of all connected cells > 1.195(c)

- For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
- (b) Corrected for electrolyte temperature and level.
- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.



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TABLE 4.8-2 (AT&T)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

	CATEGORY A(1)	CATEGORY	(B ⁽²⁾
Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell
Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level 'indication mark, and < 참" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and < 찿" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing
Float Voltage	\geq 2.18 vólts	≥ 2.18 volts(a)	> 2.14 volts
Specific Gravity(b)	۰ -	<u>≥</u> 1.280	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells
	≥ 1.290(c)	Average of all connected cells > 1.290	Average of all connected cells <u>></u> 1.280(c)

- (1) For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
- (b) Corrected for electrolyte temperature and level.
- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.

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ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

BASES -

A.C. SOURCES, D.C. SOURCES AND ONSITE POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS (Continued)

The surveillance requirement for demonstrating the OPERABILITY of the Station batteries are based on the recommendations of Regulatory Guide 1.129, "Maintenance Testing and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Nuclear Power Plants," February 1978, and IEEE Std 450-1980, "IEEE Recommended. Practice for Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Generating Stations and Substations."

Verifying average electrolyte temperature above the minimum for which the battery was sized, total battery terminal voltage on float charge, connection resistance values and the performance of battery service and discharge tests ensures the effectiveness of the charging system, the ability to handle high discharge rates and compares the battery capacity at that time with the rated capacity.

Table 4.8-2 specifies the normal limits for each designated pilot cell and each connected cell for electrolyte level, float voltage and specific gravity. The limits for the designated pilot cells float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity or a battery charger current that had stabilized at a low value, is characteristic of a charged cell with adequate capacity. The normal limits for each connected cell for float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity with an average specific gravity of all the connected cells not more than 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity, ensures the OPERABILITY and capability of the battery.

Operation with a battery cell's parameter outside the normal limit but within the allowable value specified in Table 4.8-2 is permitted for up to 7 days. During this 7-day period: (1) the allowable values for electrolyte level ensures no physical damage to the plates with an adequate electron transfer capability; (2) the allowable value for the average specific gravity of all the cells, not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's recommended full charge specific gravity, ensures that the decrease in rating will be less than the safety margin provided in sizing; (3) the allowable value for an individual cell's specific gravity, ensures that an individual cell's specific gravity will not be more than 0.040 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity and that the overall capability of the battery will be maintained within an acceptable limit; and (4) the allowable value for an individual cell's float voltage, greater than 2.07 volts (Exide) 2.14 volts (AT&T), ensures the battery's capability to perform its design function.

If any other metallic structures (e.g., buildings, new or modified piping systems, conduit) are placed in the ground in the vicinity of the fuel oil storage system or if the original system is modified, the adequacy and frequency of inspections of the cathodic protection system shall be re-evaluated and adjusted in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.137.

PALO VERDE - UNIT 2

AMENDMENT NO. 46

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

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PALO VERDE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNIT NO. 3

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 32 License No. NPF-74

- The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by the Arizona Public Service Company (APS or the licensee) on behalf of itself and the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District, El Paso Electric Company, Southern California Edison Company, Public Service Company of New Mexico, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and Southern California Public Power Authority dated December 26, 1991, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
- Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-74 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 32, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated into this license. APS shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan, except where otherwise stated in specific license conditions.

This license amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and must be fully implemented no later than 45 days from the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Attachment: Changes to the Technical Specifications

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT NO. 32 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-74

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ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

3/4.8.2 D.C. SOURCES

OPERATNG

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.2.1 As a minimum the D.C. trains listed in Table 3.8-1 shall be OPERABLE and energized.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3, and 4.

ACTION:

- a. With one of the required D.C. trains inoperable, restore the inoperable D.C. trains to OPERABLE status within 2 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- b. With one of the required chargers inoperable, either provide charging capability to the affected channel with the associated backup battery charger, or demonstrate the OPERABILITY of its associated battery bank by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1a.1. within 1 hour, and at least once per 8 hours thereafter. If any Category A limit in Table 4.8-2 is not met, declare the battery inoperable.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.8.2.1 Each 125-volt battery bank and charger shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:
 - a. At least once per 7 days by verifying that:
 - 1. The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category A limits, and
 - .2. The total battery terminal voltage is greater than or equal to 129 volts on float charge (Exide) or 131 volts on float charge (AT&T)

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b.	At least once per 92 days and within 7 days after a battery discharge with battery terminal voltage below 105 volts, or battery overcharge with battery terminal voltage above 150 volts, by verifying that:
	1. The parameters in Table 4.8-2 meet the Category B limits,
•	2. There is no visible corrosion at either terminals or connectors, or the connection resistance of these items is less than 150×10^{-6} ohms, and
•	3. The average electrolyte temperature of six connected cells is above 60°F.
c. [′]	At least once per 18 months by verifying that:
	 The cells, cell plates, and battery racks show no visual indication of physical damage or abnormal deterioration,
	2. The cell-to-cell and terminal connections are clean, tight, and coated with anticorrosion material,
• • •	3. The resistance of each cell-to-cell and terminal connection is less than or equal to 150×10^{-6} ohms, and
2 2 54	4. The battery charger will supply at least 400 amperes for batteries A and B and 300 amperes for batteries C and D at 125 volts for at least 8 hours.
d.	At least once per 18 months,* during shutdown, by verifying that the battery capacity is adequate to supply and maintain in OPERABLE status all of the actual or simulated emergency loads for the design duty cycle when the battery is subjected to a battery service test.
e.	At least once per 60 months, during shutdown, by verifying that the battery capacity is at least 80% (Exide) or 90% (AT&T) of the manu- facturer's rating when subjected to a performance discharge test. This performance discharge test may be performed in lieu of the battery service test required by Surveillance Requirement 4.8.2.1d.
f.	Annual performance discharge tests of battery capacity shall be given to any battery that shows signs of degradation or has reached 85% of the service life expected for the application. Degradation is indicated when the battery capacity drops more than 10% (Exide) or 5% (AT&T) of rated capacity from its average on previous performance tests, or is below 90% (Exide) or 95% (AT&T) of the manufacturer's rating.

*This surveillance requirement, otherwise due March 1, 1991, will be performed prior to the end of the second refueling outage or by June 15, 1991.

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TABLE 4.8-2 (EXIDE)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

	CATEGORY A ⁽¹⁾	CATEGORY	_B (2)
Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot •cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell
Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level indication mark, and <u><</u> ½" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and < 참" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing
Float Voltage	<u>></u> 2.13 volts	<u>></u> 2.13 volts(a)	> 2.07 volts
Specific Gravity(b)	×	<u>></u> 1.195	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells
	≥ 1.200(c)	Average of all connected cells > 1.205	Average of all connected cells > 1.195(c)

- (1) For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
- (b) Corrected for electrolyte temperature and level.
- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.

TABLE 4.8-2 (AT&T)

BATTERY SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

	CATEGORY A ⁽¹⁾	CATEGORY	B(2)
Parameter	Limits for each designated pilot cell	Limits for each connected cell	Allowable ⁽³⁾ value for each connected cell
Electrolyte Level	>Minimum level indication mark, and < 날" above maximum level indication mark	>Minimum level indication mark, and < ¼" above maximum level indication mark	Above top of plates, and not overflowing
Float Voltage	<u>></u> 2.18 volts	<u>></u> 2.18 volts(a)	> 2.14 volts
Specific Gravity(b)	•	<u>≥</u> 1.280	Not more than 0.020 below the average of all connected cells
-	≥ 1.290(c)	Average of all connected cells <a>2	Average of all connected cells ≥ 1.280(c)

- (1) For any Category A parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that within 24 hours all the Category B measurements are taken and found to be within their allowable values, and provided all Category A and B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within the next 6 days.
- (2) For any Category B parameter(s) outside the limit(s) shown, the battery may be considered OPERABLE provided that the Category B parameters are within their allowable values and provided the Category B parameter(s) are restored to within limits within 7 days.
- (3) Any Category B parameter not within its allowable value, declare the battery inoperable.
- (a) Corrected for average electrolyte temperature.
- (b) Corrected for electrolyte temperature and level.
- (c) Or battery charging current is less than 2 amps when on charge.

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A.C. SOURCES, D.C. SOURCES AND ONSITE POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS (Continued)

The surveillance requirement for demonstrating the OPERABILITY of the Station batteries are based on the recommendations of Regulatory Guide 1.129, "Maintenance Testing and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Nuclear Power Plants," February 1978, and IEEE Std 450-1980, "IEEE Recommended Practice for Maintenance, Testing, and Replacement of Large Lead Storage Batteries for Generating Stations and Substations."

Verifying average electrolyte temperature above the minimum for which the battery was sized, total battery terminal voltage on float charge, connection resistance values and the performance of battery service and discharge tests ensures the effectiveness of the charging system, the ability to handle high discharge rates and compares the battery capacity at that time with the rated capacity.

Table 4.8-2 specifies the normal limits for each designated pilot cell and each connected cell for electrolyte level, float voltage and specific gravity. The limits for the designated pilot cells float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity or a battery charger current that had stabilized at a low value, is characteristic of a charged cell with adequate capacity. The normal limits for each connected cell for float voltage and specific gravity, greater than 2.13 volts (Exide) 2.18 volts (AT&T) and not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity with an average specific gravity of all the connected cells not more than 0.010 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity, ensures the OPERABILITY and capability of the battery.

Operation with a battery cell's parameter outside the normal limit but within the allowable value specified in Table 4.8-2 is permitted for up to 7 days. During this 7-day period: (1) the allowable values for electrolyte level ensures no physical damage to the plates with an adequate electron transfer capability; (2) the allowable value for the average specific gravity of all the cells, not more than 0.020 below the manufacturer's recommended full charge specific gravity, ensures that the decrease in rating will be less than the safety margin provided in sizing; (3) the allowable value for an individual cell's specific gravity, ensures that an individual cell's specific gravity will not be more than 0.040 below the manufacturer's full charge specific gravity and that the overall capability of the battery will be maintained within an acceptable limit; and (4) the allowable value for an individual cell's float voltage, greater than 2.07 volts (Exide) 2.14 volts (AT&T), ensures the battery's capability to perform its design function.

If any other metallic structures (e.g., buildings, new or modified piping systems, conduit) are placed in the ground in the vicinity of the fuel oil storage system or if the original system is modified, the adequacy and frequency of inspections of the cathodic protection system shall be re-evaluated and adjusted in accordance with Regulatory Guide 1.137.