

**NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**[Docket No. 50-331; NRC-2018-0045]**

**NexEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC: Duane Arnold Energy Center**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** License amendment application; withdrawal by applicant.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has granted the request of NextEra Energy Duane Arnold, LLC (NextEra) to withdraw its application dated December 19, 2017, for a proposed amendment to Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC), Facility Operating License No. DPR-49. The proposed change would have added Technical Specifications (TS) 3.2.3, "Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)," and modified TS 1.1, "Definitions," TS 3.4.1, "Recirculation Loops Operating," and TS 5.6.5, "Core Operating Limits Report (COLR)" to reflect the LHGR change. Modifications associated with TS 3.2.1, "Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (APLHGR)," and the new TS 3.2.3 would also have been added to the actions for TS 3.3.4.1, "End of Cycle Recirculation Pump Trip (EOC-RPT) Instrumentation," and TS 3.7.7, "The Main Turbine Bypass System." Subsequently, by letter dated August 21, 2018, NextEra withdrew the amendment request.

**DATES:** The effective date of the withdrawal of the license amendment application is September 26, 2018.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NRC has granted the request of NextEra to withdraw its December 19, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17353A928), application for proposed amendment to DAEC, Facility Operating License No. DPR-49, located in Linn County, Iowa.

The proposed change would have added TS 3.2.3, "Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)," and modified TS 1.1, "Definitions," TS 3.4.1, "Recirculation Loops Operating," and TS 5.6.5, "Core Operating Limits Report (COLR)" to reflect the LHGR change. Modifications associated with TS 3.2.1, "Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate

(APLHGR),” and the new TS 3.2.3 would also have been added to the actions for TS 3.3.4.1, “End of Cycle Recirculation Pump Trip (EOC-RPT) Instrumentation,” and TS 3.7.7, “The Main Turbine Bypass System.”

The Commission had previously issued a notice of consideration of issuance of amendment published in the *Federal Register* on March 13, 2018 (83 FR 10920). However, by letter dated August 21, 2018, the licensee withdrew the proposed change (ADAMS Accession No. ML18233A333).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated December 19, 2017, and the licensee’s letter dated August 21, 2018, which withdrew the application for license amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2018.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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