

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

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Docket NO.: 70-364

LICENSEE: Babcock and Wilcox

FACILITY: Parks Township, Pennsylvania Plant

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT

Background

By letter dated June 18, 1979, B&W requested an administrative change to their license SNM-414 to (a) delete the function of the Regulatory Projects Coordinator and (b) alter the experience requirements for the function of Licensing and Nuclear Safety Specialist.

Discussion

Item (a)

There is no regulatory requirement that the licensee organization include the function of Regulatory Projects Coordinator. Further, management needs and plant operations have changed at Apollo, and B&W no longer believes the function of the Regulatory Projects Coordinator is needed.

Item (b)

The experience requirements for the Licensing and Nuclear Safety Specialist included in the B&W renewal application for License No. SNM-414 were based on the qualifications of the person filling the position at that time, and the qualifications listed were more requirements than generally used in the nuclear industry. Overly restrictive qualifications make it difficult for B&W to fill positions vacated. The proposed new qualifications are consistent with industry practice and are adequate.

The proposed changes have been discussed with Region I personnel and they have no objections to granting the E&W request. Qualifications for the Licensing and Nuclear Safety Specialist were discussed with Mr. R. L. Stevenson, an NRC expert in criticality, who had no objection to the change in qualifications.

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Conclusions and Recommendation

Based on the facts summarized above, I believe the license can be amended without undue risk to the public.

Approval of the request for amendment is recommended.

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