

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-346; NRC-2019-0028]

FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company;

Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License amendment application; withdrawal by applicant.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has granted the request of FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. (FES) to withdraw the FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (FENOC, the licensee) application dated October 22, 2018, for a proposed amendment to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-3. The proposed amendment would have made changes to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station (DBNPS), Unit No. 1, technical specifications (TS) to permit certain changes in plant operations when the plant is permanently defueled.

DATES: The withdrawal of the proposed amendment takes effect on August 9, 2019.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The NRC has granted the request of FES to withdraw the FENOC application dated October 22, 2018 (ADAMS Accession No. ML18295A289), as supplemented by letter dated February 27, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19058A328), for a proposed amendment to Renewed Facility Operating License No. NPF-3 for the DBNPS located in Ottawa County, Ohio. FES is the parent company of FirstEnergy Nuclear Generation, LLC, which owns DBNPS. The proposed amendment would have changed the DBNPS TS to permit changes in plant operations when the plant is permanently defueled. Specifically, the licensee proposed to revise the TS to support the implementation of the certified fuel handler and non-certified operator positions. In addition, certain

organization, staffing, and training requirements in the TS would have been revised.

The proposed amendment would have also made other administrative changes.

The Commission previously issued a proposed finding that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration published in the *Federal Register* on January 30, 2019 (84 FR 494). However, by letter dated July 26, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19207A097), FES requested to withdraw the proposed amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of August, 2019.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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