

LOUISIANA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
WATERFORD STEAM ELECTRIC STATION, UNIT NO. 3
DOCKET NO. 50-382
ORDER EXTENDING CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION DATE

Louisiana Power & Light Company is the holder of Construction Permit No. CPPR-103 issued by the Atomic Energy Commission* on November 14, 1974 for the construction of the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit No. 3 presently under construction at the company's site in St. Charles Parish, Louisiana. By letter dated June 23, 1977, Louisiana Power and Light Company filed a request for an extension of the latest construction completion date for the facility from December 31, 1979 to August 1, 1982. In response to our letter dated February 23, 1978, the applicant filed additional information on September 5, 1978 to justify the request. The extension was requested because construction has been delayed due to (1) delay in receipt of the construction permit due primarily to the antitrust review; (2) engineering development; (3) additional quality assurance requirements; (4) lower than expected productivity of construction subcontractors; and (5) temporary reductions in construction work force.

This action involves no significant hazards consideration; good cause has been shown for the delay; and the extension is for a reasonable period, the bases for which are set forth in the staff evaluation dated July 19, 1979. The preparation of an environmental impact statement for this particular action is not warranted

*Effective January 20, 1975, the Atomic Energy Commission became the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and permits in effect on that day continued under the authority of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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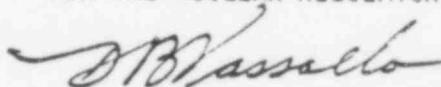
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because there will be no environmental impact attributable to the Order other than that which has already been predicted and described in the Commission's Final Environmental Statement for the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit No. 3 published in March 1973 and the Draft Environmental Statement published in October 1972. A Negative Declaration and an Environmental Impact Appraisal have been prepared and are available, as are the above stated documents, for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20555 and at the local public document room established for the Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit No. 3 in the University of New Orleans Library, Louisiana Collection, Lakefront, New Orleans, Louisiana 70122.

It is HEREBY ORDERED THAT the latest completion date for CPPR-103 be extended from December 31, 1979, to June 1, 1982.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION,



D. B. Vassallo, Acting Director
Division of Project Management
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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