

to the Nebraska Natural Gas Company of Fremont, Nebraska. The "urgent follow-up" recommendations, Nos. P 4-3 and 4, were prompted by the Board's investigation of the explosion of the ranch-finger Hotel in Fremont, January 10, 1976. Investigation disclosed that a 2-inch plastic gas main had pulled out of its compression coupling at the intersection of Sixth and Broad Streets, about 15 feet from the northwest corner of the hotel basement. The pipe had pulled out of its 6-inch-long compression coupling after the pipe had contracted in length 2½ inches. Natural gas, leaking from the pipe at 13-psi pressure and capped above by frozen earth and the concrete road surface, seeped into the hotel basement. The Board recommended that the Nebraska Natural Gas Company (1) review its entire system to see if pipe has pulled out of its coupling elsewhere and to rectify any potentially hazardous conditions found, and (2) conduct tests below the frost level during this review of the system to monitor all plastic pipe joints made with short compression couplings where pullout and resultant gas leaks could occur.

#### Letters in Response to Safety Board Recommendations—

Federal Aviation Administration letter of February 2 addresses recommendation A-75-84 (40 FR 55394, November 28, 1975). FAA states that Air Carrier Operations Bulletin 73-1, dated May 7, 1973, will be updated to specify that (1) training mockups used to satisfy the requirements of FAR 121.417(c) (4) be a realistic duplication of the exits on the aircraft and include the actual forces involved in opening exits in the emergency mode; (2) training procedures accurately simulate emergency conditions; and (3) during initial and recurrent training, flight attendants be instructed in the additional forces that will be involved when opening exits in the emergency mode with evacuation slide pack attached, and under other adverse circumstances such as unusual cabin/deck angle, high wind, structural deformation, etc. FAA concludes, "Additionally, we will continue to encourage the air carriers to utilize training mockups, where feasible, in an effort to augment flight attendant initial and recurrent emergency training programs and further facilitate the transfer of learning experiences. We expect to issue the revised Operations Bulletin in February 1976."

Coast Guard's letter of February 19 responds to recommendation 69-M-60, issued July 8, 1969, in the Board's marine casualty report concerning explosion and fire on Continental Oil Rig Platform 43-A in the Gulf of Mexico, October 24, 1967, and recommendation 71-M-23 issued October 7, 1971, in marine casualty report concerning explosion and fire on the Chambers and Kennedy Offshore Oil Platform and fire on the M/V CARRY-BACK, May 28, 1970, also in the Gulf of Mexico. The Coast Guard letter informs that proposed regulations for mobile drilling units are now in final draft stage, to become effective during 1976. Coast

Guard states, with regard to the fixed drilling and production units the Coast Guard, together with the Department of Interior, have evaluated their regulations to determine the need for any revisions or additions. In addition to the amending of its regulations for lifesaving appliances on unmanned platforms by the U.S. Coast Guard, the Department of Interior has continued its program for revision of their regulations as needed by publishing proposed Outer Continental Shelf Order No. 14 and has recently proposed major revisions to Outer Continental Shelf Order No. 8." In addition, Coast Guard and the U.S. Geological Survey have initiated joint discussions regarding safety of operations on the Outer Continental Shelf and need for fixed platform requirements.

The accident reports and pipeline safety recommendation letter are available to the general public; single copies may be obtained without charge. Copies of letters responding to recommendations may be obtained at a cost of \$4.00 for service and 10¢ per page for reproduction. All requests must be in writing, identified by report or recommendation number and date of publication in this FEDERAL REGISTER notice. Address inquiries to: Publications Unit, National Transportation Safety Board, Washington, D.C. 20594.

Multiple copies of accident reports may be purchased by mail from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, Virginia 22151.

(Secs. 304(a) (2) and 307 of the Independent Safety Board Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-633, 88 Stat. 2169, 2172) (49 U.S.C. 1903, 1906))

MARGARET L. FISHER,  
Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-313]

### ARKANSAS POWER & LIGHT CO.

#### Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 11 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-51 issued to Arkansas Power and Light Company which revised Technical Specifications for operation of Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1, located in Pope County, Arkansas. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment eliminates the discharge sampling station for the ichthyoplankton entrainment program and incorporates the assumption of 100% mortality of entrained ichthyoplankton. The amendment retains sampling of station intake. Continued sampling of the intake with the assumption of 100% mortality will permit a conservative assessment of entrainment impact to be made.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and require-

ments of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment is not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR § 51.5(d) (4) an environmental statement, negative declaration or environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated December 12, 1975, and (2) Amendment No. 11 to License No. DPR-51. Both of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Arkansas.

A copy of item (2) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 23rd day of February 1976.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

D. L. ZIEMANN,  
Chief, Operating Reactor  
Branch No. 2, Division of Operating Reactors.

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[Docket No. 50-313]

### ARKANSAS POWER & LIGHT CO.

#### Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 10 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-51, issued to Arkansas Power & Light Company (the licensee), which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the Arkansas Nuclear One—Unit 1 (the facility) located in Pope County, Arkansas. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment establishes Limiting Conditions for Operation and Surveillance Requirements for safety related filter systems.

The application for the amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of

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For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated November 7, 1975, (2) Amendment No. 10 to License No. DPR-51, (3) the Commission's concurrently issued related Safety Evaluation, and (4) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated January 10, 1975. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, Arkansas 72801. A copy of items (2), (3) and (4) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 18th day of February, 1976.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

DENNIS L. ZIEMANN,  
Chief, Operating Reactors  
Branch #B, Division of Operating Reactors.

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[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323]

**PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY  
(DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER  
PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2)**

**Order Extending Construction Completion  
Dates**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company is the holder of Construction Permits CPPR-39 and CPPR-69 issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on April 23, 1968 and December 9, 1970, respectively, for construction of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, presently under construction on the applicant's site in San Luis Obispo County, California.

On May 19, 1975, Pacific Gas and Electric Company filed a request for an extension of the completion dates. On July 16, 1975, the Commission's staff requested additional information regarding the reasons for the delays. On August 8, 1975, Pacific Gas and Electric Company filed a revised request containing more detailed information in support of the extensions.

Construction of the units has been delayed by six months due to strikes by construction crafts which essentially shut the plant down for four months. When the strikes terminated, only approximately forty percent (40%) of the original work force returned to work. It took about five weeks to remobilize the work

force back to pre-strike level, including the recruiting of replacement craft labor, retraining, and requalification of welders.

Construction of the units has been delayed an additional six months due to (1) replacement of the copper-nickel tubes in the main condensers and modifications to the circulating water system, (2) addition of pipe rupture restraints outside the containment and associated relocation and retesting of electrical circuits, (3) long lead times for additional materials such as electrical cable that was required for relocating electrical circuits, (4) improvements and modifications to certain equipment during preoperational and startup testing and (5) modifications to the steam generators and piping.

This action involves no significant hazards consideration; good cause has been shown for the delays; and the requested extension is for a reasonable period, the bases for which are set forth in a staff evaluation dated.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the applicant's request for extension of the completion dates dated May 19, 1975 and (2) the Staff's related evaluation, all of which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room and at the Local Public Document Rooms for inspection and copying.

It is hereby ordered that the latest completion date for CPPR-39 is extended from July 1, 1975 to July 1, 1976 for Unit 1 and the latest completion date for CPPR-69 is extended from July 31, 1976 to July 31, 1977 for Unit 2.

Date of Issuance: February 25, 1976.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

WALTER R. BUTLER,  
Acting Assistant Director for  
Light Water Reactors, Division  
of Project Management.

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[Docket Nos. 50-461 and 50-462]

**ILLINOIS POWER CO. (CLINTON POWER  
STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2)**

**Issuance of Construction Permits**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Partial Initial Decision and Initial Decision of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, dated September 30, 1975, and February 20, 1976, respectively, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Construction Permits Nos. CPPR-137 and CPPR-138 to the Illinois Power Company for construction of two boiling water nuclear reactors at its site in DeWitt County, Illinois. The proposed reactors, known as the Clinton Power Station, Units 1 and 2, are each designed for a rated power of 2894 megawatts thermal with a net electrical output of about 933 megawatts.

The Initial Decision is subject to review by an Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal Board prior to its becoming final. Any decision or action taken by an Atomic Safety and Licensing Appeal

Board in connection with the Initial Decision may be reviewed by the Commission.

The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the construction permits. The application for the construction permits complies with the standards, requirements of the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations.

The construction permits are effective as of their dates of issuance. The earliest date for the completion of Unit 1 is October 1, 1980, and the latest date of completion is October 1, 1981. The earliest date for completion of Unit 2 is October 1, 1983, and the latest date of completion is October 1, 1985. The permits shall expire on the latest dates of completion of the facilities.

A copy of (1) the Partial Initial Decision, dated September 30, 1975, (2) the Initial Decision dated February 20, 1976; (3) Construction Permit Nos. CPPR-137 and CPPR-138; (4) the report of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, dated April 8, 1976; (5) the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation's Safety Evaluation Report dated March 1975 and Supplement 1 thereto dated December 1975; (6) the Preliminary Safety Analysis Report and amendments thereto; (7) the applicant's Environmental Report dated October 1973, and supplements thereto; (8) the Draft Environmental Statement dated June 1974; and (9) the Final Environmental Statement dated October 1975 are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room at 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and the Vespasian Washington Public Library, 120 West Johnson Street, Clinton, Illinois 61727. A copy of the construction permits may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Project Management.

Copies of the Safety Evaluation (Document No. NUREG-75/013) may be purchased, at current rates, from the National Technical Information Service, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 24th day of February 1976.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

JOHN F. STOLZ,  
Chief, Light Water Reactor  
Branch No. 1, Division of  
Project Management.

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[Docket Nos. 50-516 and 50-517]

**LONG ISLAND LIGHTING CO. (JAMESPOWELL  
NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS  
1 AND 2)**

**Order Scheduling a Prehearing Conference**

A prehearing conference will be held at 9:30 a.m. (local time) on March 1, 1976, at the Holiday Inn of Riverhead.