

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
 NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) Docket No. STN 50-482
 Kansas Gas and Electric Company)
 Kansas City Power and Light Company)
 Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.)

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION FOR FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE;
 NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF APPLICANT'S ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT;
 AND NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF FACILITY OPERATING
 LICENSE AND NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has received an application for a facility operating license from Kansas Gas and Electric Company, Kansas City Power and Light Company and Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (applicants), to possess, use and operate the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1, a pressurized water nuclear reactor (the facility), located on a site in Coffey County, Kansas. The reactor is designed to operate at a core power level of 3411 megawatts thermal, with an equivalent net electrical output of approximately 1150 megawatts. This application references the Standardized Nuclear Unit Power Plant System (SNUPPS) FSAR, dated October 19, 1979.

The applicants have also filed, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the regulations of the Commission in 10 CFR Part 51, an environmental report. The report, which discusses environmental considerations related to the proposed operation of the facility is being made available at the Division of State Planning and Research, Department of Administration, Mills Building, Suite 501, 109 West 9th Street, Topeka, Kansas 66612.

After the environmental report has been analyzed by the Commission's staff, a draft environmental statement will be prepared. Upon preparation of the draft environmental statement, the Commission will, among other things, cause to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER, a notice of availability of

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the draft statement, requesting comments from interested persons on the draft statement. The notice will also contain a statement to the effect that any comments of Federal agencies and State and local officials will be made available when received. The draft environmental statement will focus only on any matters which differ from those previously discussed in the final environmental statement prepared in connection with the issuance of the construction permit. Upon consideration of comments submitted with respect to the draft environmental statement, the Commission's staff will prepare a final environmental statement, the availability of which will be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

The Commission will consider the issuance of a facility operating license to Kansas Gas and Electric Company, Kansas City Power and Light Company, and Kansas Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. which would authorize Kansas Gas and Electric Company, acting for itself and the other applicants, to possess, use and operate the Wolf Creek Generating Station, Unit No. 1 in accordance with the provisions of the license and the technical specifications appended thereto, upon: (1) the completion of a favorable safety evaluation of the application by the Commission's staff; (2) the completion of the environmental review required by the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Part 51; (3) the receipt of a report on the applicants' application for a facility operating license by the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; and (4) a finding by the Commission that the application for the facility license, as amended, complies with the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Chapter 1. Construction of the facility was authorized by Construction Permit CPPR-147, issued by the Commission on May 17, 1977. Construction of the Wolf Creek Generating Station is anticipated to be completed by December 1983.

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Prior to the issuance of an operating license, the NRC staff will study the Floodplain Aspects of the Wolf Creek Generating Station and issue an assessment pursuant to Executive Order 11988 Floodplain Management.

Prior to issuance of any operating license, the Commission will inspect the facility to determine whether it has been constructed in accordance with the application, as amended, and the provisions of the construction permit. In addition, the license will not be issued until the Commission has made the findings reflecting its review of the application under the Act, which will be set forth in the proposed license, and has concluded that the issuance of the license will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public. Upon issuance of the license, the applicants will be required to execute an indemnity agreement as required by Section 170 of the Act and 10 CFR Part 140 of the Commission's regulations.

By January 7, 1981 the applicants may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the facility operating license. By January 19, 1981, any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2. If a request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition and the Secretary of the Commission, or designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR §2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should

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specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) the nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend his petition, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, the petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition for leave to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter, and the bases for each contention set forth with reasonable specificity. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement which satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., by January 19, 1981. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C., 20555, and to Jay Silberg, Esquire, Shaw, Pittman, Potts and Trowbridge, 1800 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036, attorney for the applicant. Any questions or requests for additional information regarding the content of this

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notice should be addressed to the Chief Hearing Counsel, Office of the Executive Legal Director, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555.

Nontimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer, or the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board designated to rule on the petition and/or request, that the petitioner has made a substantial showing of good cause for the granting of a late petition and/or request. That determination will be based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR §2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and §2.714(d).

For further details pertinent to the matters under consideration, see the application for a facility operating license, dated February 19, 1980, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the Coffey County Courthouse, Burlington, Kansas 66839. As they become available, the following documents may be inspected at the above locations: (1) the safety evaluation report prepared by the Commission's staff; (2) the draft environmental statement; (3) the final environmental statement; (4) the report of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards on the application for facility operating license; (5) the proposed facility operating license; and (6) the technical specifications, which will be attached to the proposed facility operating license.

Copies of the proposed operating license and the ACRS report, when available may be obtained by request to the Director, Division of Licensing, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555. Copies of the Commission's staff safety evaluation report and final environmental statement, when available, may

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be purchased at current rates, from the National Technical Information Service,
Department of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Dated at Bethesda, Maryland
this 8th day of *December*, 1980