DOCKETS NOS. 50-277 AND 50-278 PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY, ET AL NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendments Nos. 78 and 77 to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-44 and DPR-56, issued to Philadelphia Electric Company, Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Delmarva Power and Light Company, and Atlantic City Electric Company, which revised Technical Specifications for operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units Nos. 2 and 3 (the facility) located in York County, Pennsylvania. The amendments are effective as of the date of issuance.

The amendments to the Technical Specifications permit reactor operation with a recirculation loop out of service. Units 2 and 3 shall be limited to 50% power when operating on a single recirculation loop.

The application for the amendments 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 amendments. Prior public notice of these amendments was not required since the amendments do not involve a significant hazards consideration.

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

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendments dated January 9, 1981, (2) Amendments Nos. 78 and 77 to

Licenses Nos. DPR-44 and DPR-56, and (3) the Commission's related Safety

Evaluation. 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 Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, Education

Building, Commonwealth and Walnut Streets, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. A copy of items (2) and (3) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Director, Division of Licensing.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 15th day of May 1981.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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