UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DUCKET NO. 50-327

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-77

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 1 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-77, issued to Tennessee Valley Authority (licensee) for the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Unit 1 (the facility) located in Hamilton County, Tennessee. This amendment covers the authorization given on September 23, 1980, to TVA to proceed with proposed changes to the Technical Specifications which permitted testing of certain valves in a different Mode of plant operation as well as at different leakage rates for a 30-day period.

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 regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. Prior public notice of this amendment was 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 impact statement, or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) Tennessee Valley Authority letter, dated September 24, 1980, (2) Amendment No. 1 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-77 with Appendix A Technical Specification page changes, 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 the Chattanooga Hamilton County Bicentennial Library, 1001 Broad Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402. A copy of Amendment No. 1 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 22nd day of December 1980.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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