

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONDOCKET NO. 50-29YANKEE ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANYNOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY
OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 65 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-3, issued to Yankee Atomic Electric Company (the licensee), which revised the license and its appended Technical Specifications for operation of the Yankee Nuclear Power Station (Yankee-Rowe)(the facility) located in Rowe, Franklin County, Massachusetts. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

The amendment revises the Technical Specifications to provide reasonable assurance that the limits and administrative requirements which were determined to be acceptable following the implementation of the TMI Lessons Learned Category "A" items are maintained. Additional license conditions are also added to implement a program to reduce leakage from systems outside containment which could contain highly radioactive fluids during a serious accident and to implement a program to ensure the accurate determination of airborne iodine concentration in vital areas under accident conditions.

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 this amendment was not required since the amendment does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

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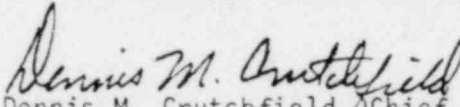
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The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment will not result in any significant environmental impact and that pursuant to 10 CFR §51.5(d)(4) an environmental impact statement or negative declaration and environmental impact appraisal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

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated September 16, 1980 (Proposed Change No. 170), (2) Amendment No. 65 to License No. DPR-3, 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 Greenfield Community College, 1 College Drive, Greenfield, Massachusetts 01301. 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 2nd day of April, 1981.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


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