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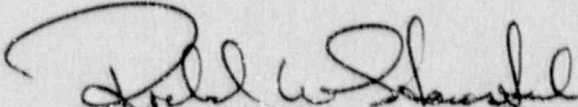
Docket No. 50-334

MEMORANDUM FOR: Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director  
Division of Licensing, NRR

FROM: Richard W. Starostecki, Director  
Division of Project and Resident Programs

SUBJECT: EXEMPTION FROM THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE REQUIREMENT FOR AN  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE - BEAVER VALLEY,  
DOCKET NO. 50-334 (TAC 5/783)

Attached is a proposed response to the June 1, 1983 letter from Duquesne Light regarding a deviation from 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section IV.F scheduling requirements for an annual exercise. The licensee is changing the 1984 annual exercise scheduled for February to June at the request of FEMA. We have reviewed the bases and find they provide sufficient justification for granting the enclosed exemption.

  
Richard W. Starostecki, Director  
Division of Project and Resident  
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Dear Mr. Carey:

SUBJECT: BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION UNIT NO. 1 ANNUAL EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE SCHEDULE

Enclosed is an approved Exemption dated \_\_\_\_\_, which provides for a one time extension of the scheduler requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Section IV.F, in response to your letter dated June 1, 1983.

This exemption permits the annual emergency preparedness exercise at Beaver Valley to be conducted no later than June 30, 1984.

A copy of the Exemption is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Steven A. Varga, Chief,  
Operating Reactors Branch No. 1  
Division of Licensing

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In the Matter of )  
DUQUESNE LIGHT COMPANY )  
(BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1) )  
Docket No. 50-334

EXEMPTION

I

Duquesne Light Company (the licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. DPR-66 (the license) which authorizes operation of the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1 (the facility) at steady state reactor power level not in excess of 2652 megawatts thermal. The facility is a pressurized water reactor located at the licensee's site in Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

II

The licensee provides, among other things, that it is subject to all rules, regulations and Orders of the Commission.

Section 50.54(q) of 10 CFR Part 50 requires a licensee authorized to operate a nuclear power reactor to follow and maintain in effect emergency plans which meet the standards of 10 CFR 50.47(b) and the requirements of Appendix E to 10 CFR Part 50. Section IV.F.1 of Appendix E requires each licensee to conduct an emergency preparedness exercise annually. The last annual exercise at Beaver Valley was held on February 16, 1983.

By letter dated June 1, 1983, the licensee stated that a schedule was developed at a meeting on April 21, 1982, by FEMA Region V and NRC Region III for the emergency exercise to be conducted during February 1984 and 1985. Subsequently, a meeting was conducted on January 20, 1983, by FEMA Region III which resulted in the emergency exercise being scheduled for June of 1984 and 1985. Additionally, the licensee stated that because of Beaver Valley Power Stations unique situation of being included in two FEMA Regions and three NRC Regions, the licensee feels the exercise should be planned in accordance with the request of the FEMA Region III host region.

The licensee has completed corrective actions on the deficiencies identified during an emergency preparedness appraisal performed on October 4-16, 1981, and successfully conducted full scale exercises on February 17, 1982, and February 16, 1983, thus providing assurance regarding the capability of state and local officials to respond to an emergency.

Based on the above, we find that the delay in the date of in performing the licensee's annual emergency preparedness exercise will not adversely affect the state of emergency preparedness at the Beaver Valley Power Station. We concluded, therefore, that an exemption should be granted.

## III

Accordingly, the Commission has determined that, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.12, an exemption is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest. The exemption is hereby granted as follows:

In order to allow for offsite agencies' schedule constraints, the next emergency preparedness exercise at the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1 shall be conducted no later than June 30, 1984. This exercise shall include appropriate participation by the State and local authorities.

The Commission has determined that the granting of this Exemption 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 this action.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission

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