

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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SECRETARY

To: Counsel to Parties in NRC Proceedings and Other Interested Persons

The NRC has sent to the Federal Register for publication the enclosed proposed amendments to the Commission's Rules of Practice, 10 CFR Part 50. These amendments, if adopted, would add a set of licensing requirements applicable only to construction permit and manufacturing license applications pending at the effective date of the rule. Each applicant covered by the rule would have to meet these requirements, together with the existing regulations, in order to obtain a permit or license. The Commission would like your comments on the proposed rules by April 13. We are particularly interested in your views on whether the rule should be applied to the pending manufacturing license applications.

Secretary of the Commission

Enclosure: Proposed Amendments

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10 CFR Part 50

Licensing Requirements for Pending Construction Permit and Manufacturing License Applications

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is proposing to add to its power reactor safety regulations a set of licensing requirements applicable only to construction permit and manufacturing license applications pending at the effective date of the rule. The requirements stem from the Commission's ongoing effort to apply the lessons learned from the accident at Three Mile Island to power plant licensing. Each applicant covered by the rule would have to meet these requirements, together with the existing regulations, in order to obtain a permit or license. Comments are particularly sought on whether the rule should be applied to the pending manufacturing license application. DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 13, 1981.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert A. Purple, Deputy Director, Division of Ligensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555. Telephone: 301-492-7980. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background of the Rulemaking

The events leading up to the issuance of this proposed rule were discussed DUPLICATE Stoy 070055 RR