UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. 50-320

METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY
JERSEY CENTRAL POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY
PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY

GRANTING OF RELIEF FROM REQUIREMENTS FOR UPDATING

FINAL SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted an exemption from certain requirements of 10 CFR Part 50.71(e) to Metropolitan Edison Company, Jersey Central Power and Light Company, and Pennsylvania Electric Company. The exemption relates to the requirement for periodically updating the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) for Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2, located in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. The exemption is effective as of its date of issuance.

The exemption deletes the requirement to periodically update the TMI-2. FSAR to reflect facility changes made during the cleanup of TMI-2 and provides for the use of System Descriptions (SDs) and Technical Evaluation Reports (TERs) for documenting these changes and associated safety evaluations. The exemption also requires that any changes to the facility described in the SDs and TERs, changes to the procedures described in the SDs and TERs, and conduct of tests or experiments not described in the SDs and TERs shall be subject to the provisions of 10 CFR Section 50.59.

The request for relief 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 letter granting relief.

The Commission has determined that the granting of this relief 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 further details with respect to this action, see (1) the request for relief dated May 6, 1981, (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated July 20, 1981, and (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation.

These items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20555 and at the Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, Education Building, Commonwealth and Walnut Streets, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126.

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, TMI Program Office.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 20th day of July, 1981

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Bernard J. Snyper, Program Director Three Mile Island Program Office Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Docket No. 50-320

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Dear Mr. Hovey:

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The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued an exemption to the requirements of 10 CFR Part 50.71(e) to License No. DPR-73. This exemption deletes the requirements to periodically update the TMI-2 final safety analysis report (FSAR) to reflect facility changes made during the cleanup of TMI-2 and is in response to your request of May 6, 1981 (LL2-81-0114). We have concluded that your proposal to use Technical Evaluation Reports (TERs) for documenting these changes and associated safety evaluations is an acceptable alternative to updating the FSAR provided the TERs are kept updated. Therefore, as a condition of this exemption, we will require that at least once per six months, you review and update, if necessary, the TERs which have been issued.

We have determined that the granting of this exemption involves an action which is insignificant from the standpoint of environmental impact and that there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by this action. Having made this determination, we have further concluded that pursuant to 10 CFR \$51.5 (d) (4) an environmental impact appraisal need not be prepared in connection with the granting of this exemption.

Copies of the related Safety Evaluation and the Notice of Issuance, which has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, are also enclosed.

Sincerely,

TMI Program Office

Bernard J. Snyder, Program Director

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