

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONDOCKET NO. 50-10COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANYNOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT TO
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendment No. 23 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-2, issued to Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee), which revised the license for operation of Dresden Station Unit No. 1 (the facility) located in Grundy County, Illinois. The amendment is effective as of its date of issuance and exempts the facility from certain safety requirements.

The amendment: (1) extends by exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.46 the date from December 31, 1977, to October 31, 1978, for the license to modify the Reactor Protection System and Fire Protection System, which was required by the Commission's Order for Modification of License dated June 23, 1976, (2) extends by exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.46 the expiration date of the Commission's August 21, 1975 Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) Order from December 31, 1977, to October 31, 1978, (3) adds interim license conditions to the license deemed necessary by the Commission's staff to provide added assurance that the Emergency Core Cooling System will function as required, and (4) formally incorporates the remaining applicable provisions of the June 23, 1976, and August 21, 1975 Order in the license.

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The requested exemption by the licensee was for a period ending December 31, 1978, however, the exemption has been issued to expire October 31, 1978, to coincide with the planned shutdown of the facility for decontamination.

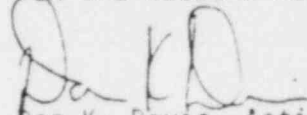
The application for the amendment and exemption complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations to 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment. In connection with item (1) above, Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License was published in the Federal Register on November 11, 1977 (42 F.R. 58801). For item (2) Notice of Request for Extension of ECCS Exemption was published in the Federal Register on November 30, 1977 (42 F.R. 60989). No requests for hearing or comments were received on items (1) and (2). Prior public notice of items (3) and (4) above was not required since these actions do not involve a significant hazards consideration.

The Commission has determined that the issuance of this amendment and 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 issuance of this amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment and extension dated July 8, 1977, and supplements thereto dated November 11, 15 and 28, 1977, and December 14, 1977, (2) Amendment No. 23 to License No. DPR-2, and (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation. All of these items, including the referenced Orders, are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. A single 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 Operating Reactors.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this sixth day of January, 1978.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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