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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKETS NOS. 50-277 AND 50-278

PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY, ET AL

PEACH BOTTOM UNITS NOS. 2 AND 3

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITY

OPERATING LICENSES

AND

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has issued Amendments Nos. 49 and 48 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-44 and DPR-56, issued to Philadelphia Electric Company, Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Delmarva Power and Light Company and Atlantic City Electric Company, which revised the Technical Specifications for operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station Units Nos. 2 and 3, located in York County, Pennsylvania. The amendments are effective as of the date of issuance.

These amendments revise the Technical Specifications to increase the total storage capacity of the spent fuel pools at Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station Units Nos. 2 and 3 from 2220 to 5632 fuel assemblies.

The applications for the amendments comply 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 amendments. Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses in connection with this action was published in the

FEDERAL REGISTER on February 23, 1978 (43FR7490). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following notice of the proposed action.

The Commission has prepared an environmental impact appraisal for this action and has concluded that an environmental impact statement for this particular action is not warranted because there will be no significant environmental impact attributable to the action other than that which has already been predicted and described in the Commission's Final Environmental Statement for the facility dated April 1973.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) applications for amendments dated January 18, April 12, May 19, June 12 and September 19, 1978, (2) Amendments Nos. 49 and 48 to License Nos.

DPR-44 and DPR-56, (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation, and (4) the Commission's related Environmental Impact Appraisal. 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 Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, Education Building, Commonwealth and Walnut Streets, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17126. A copy of items (2), (3) and (4) 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 30th day of November 1978.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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