

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY, ET AL.

DOCKET NO. 50-440

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF
NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-58, issued to the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, Duquesne Light Company, Ohio Edison Company, Pennsylvania Power Company, and Toledo Edison Company, (the licensees), for operation of the Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit No. 1, located in Lake County, Ohio.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed amendment would add the Centerior Service Company as a licensee to Facility Operating License NPF-58 for the Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit 1 (PNPP). The proposed addition would authorize both the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI) and the Centerior Service Company (wholly-owned subsidiaries of Centerior Energy Corporation) to act as agents on behalf of the other licensees for the PNPP, and have exclusive responsibility and control over the physical construction, operation and maintenance of the facility. The proposed amendment would also revise the license and the PNPP Technical Specifications to reflect the fact that the existing CEI nuclear organization reports to Centerior Service Company.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensees' application for amendment dated July 17, 1990, as supplemented by letter dated November 30, 1990.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed changes are needed to reflect the reorganization of the Centerior Energy Corporation, its operating company subsidiaries - The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company and the Toledo Edison Company, and its existing service company subsidiary - Centerior Service Company. The proposed changes are intended to provide for improved management oversight, control and uniformity of the nuclear operations within the Centerior Energy Corporation.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The proposed changes would add Centerior Service Company as a licensee to the PNPP Facility Operating License. Under the reorganization of the Centerior Energy Corporation, the CEI nuclear organization reports to Centerior Service Company. As a result, the title of CEI Vice President - Nuclear Group has been changed to Centerior Service Company, Vice President, Nuclear - Perry. There will be no changes in the CEI nuclear organization and no changes to the facility, to the operations, maintenance, engineering or other nuclear related personnel as a result of the proposed license amendment. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that this proposed action would result in no radiological or non-radiological environmental impact.

The Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment and Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination and Opportunity for Hearing in connection with this action was published in the Federal Register on October 3, 1990 (55 FR 40463). No request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following this notice.

Alternative to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission concluded that there are no significant environmental effects that would result from the proposed action, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impacts need not be evaluated.

The principal alternative would be to deny the requested amendment. This would not reduce the environmental impacts of plant operation and would result in the Facility Operating License and Technical Specifications not properly reflecting the existing organizational relationships between CEI, Centerior Service Company and the PNPP.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Unit No. 1, dated August 1982.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

The NRC staff reviewed the licensees' request and did not consult other agencies or persons.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed license amendment.

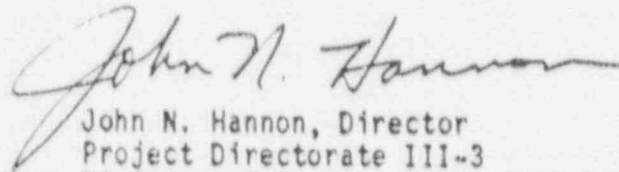
Based upon the foregoing environmental assessment, we conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated July 17, 1990 and a supplement dated November 30, 1990, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document

Room, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. and at the Perry Public Library,
3753 Main Street, Perry, Ohio 44081.

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