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LICENSEE: Combustion Engineering, Inc. (CE)
Hematite, MO

SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT: APPLICATION DATED MARCH 22, 1994,
ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Background

By amendment application dated March 22, 1994, CE requested approval for organizational changes. In response to the staff's letter dated April 20, 1994, CE provided supplemental information dated May 4, 1994.

Discussion

The major change proposed by CE is the deletion of the Plant Manager position. Under the proposed management structure, the safety and compliance responsibility for the facility operation will be delegated to the three Focused Factory Managers and the Managers of Production Support and Regulatory Compliance. The Manager of Production Support is a new position whose responsibilities and qualification requirements have been defined in the application. The five managers responsible for safety report directly to the Vice-President of Fuel Operation, who has complete responsibility for ensuring that the operations are conducted safely and in compliance with regulations. In CE's new organization, if an event of unresolved dispute among managers occurs, the Manager, Regulatory Compliance, will have the authority to resolve such dispute. In addition, the Manager, Regulatory Compliance, has authority to halt any operation and that operation will not restart without his approval. CE believes that the new organization will enhance the effectiveness of its safety program because it will increase management control and cognizance over both safety and operations, and the new management structure will create greater "ownership" among staff.

Other safety-related changes include clarification of the qualification requirements for the Focused Factory Managers.

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Categorical Exclusion

Since the changes are organizational, the staff has determined that the proposed changes do not adversely affect the public health and safety or the environment. Therefore, in accordance with 10 CFR 51.22(c)(11), neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is warranted for this action.

Conclusion/Recommendation

The staff recommends approval of the amendment application.

The Region III staff has no objection to this licensing action.

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