

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 185 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-50

METROPOLITAN EDISON COMPANY

JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTRIC COMPANY

GPU NUCLEAR CORPORATION

THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO. 50-289

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated February 7, 1994, the GPU Nuclear Corporation (GPUN or the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1 (TMI-1) Technical Specifications (TS). The TMI-1 request revises the due date for the annual radioactive effluent release report consistent with the due date for the TMI-2 radioactive effluent release report. The current TS requires the TMI-1 report be submitted within 60 days after January 1 of each year. Changing the TMI-1 due date to prior to May 1 enables the licensee to combine the reports for TMI-1 and TMI-2 into a single report with a common due date.

2.0 EVALUATION

The staff finds that submission of the annual radioactive effluent release report prior to May 1 of each year in accordance with the change, as compared to the current requirement of March 1, does not involve a significant increase in the probability of occurrence or the consequences of an accident previously evaluated. The date on which the report is due has no impact on plant operations or control of effluents. It does not change the control of plant activities or the monitoring of plant effluents.

On the basis of its review of the above items, the staff concludes that the licensee's proposed amendment is administrative. Accordingly, the staff finds the proposed is change to be acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Pennsylvania State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendment. The State official had no comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

The amendment relates to changes in recordkeeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendment.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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