

# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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DUKE POWER COMPANY

## NORTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION

## SALUDA RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

## DOCKET NO. 50-413

### CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 1

## AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 120 License No. NPF-35

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment to the Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (the facility) Facility Operating License No. NPF-35 files by the Duke Power Company, acting for itself, North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation and Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (licensees), dated March 24, 1994, as supplemented April 11 and May 31, 1994, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

Accordingly, the license is hereby amended by page changes to the 2. Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and Paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-35 is hereby amended to read as follows:

### Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 120, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into this license. Duke Power Company shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

David B. Matthews, Director Project Directorate II-3 Division of Reactor Projects - I/II Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Technical Specification Changes

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### DUKE POWER COMPANY

## NORTH CAROLINA MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY NO. 1

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## DOCKET NO. 50-414

## CATAWBA NUCLEAR STATION, UNIT 2

## AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 114 License No. NPF-52

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment to the Catawba Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (the facility) Facility Operating License No. NPF-52 filed by the Duke Power Company, acting for itself, North Carolina Municipal Power Agency No. 1 and Piedmont Municipal Power Agency (licensees), dated March 24, 1994, as supplemented April 11 and May 31, 1994, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations as set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

 Accordingly, the license is hereby amended by page changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and Paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-52 is hereby amended to read as follows:

### Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No.  $_{114}$ , and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into this license. Duke Power Company shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

David B. Matthews, Director

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 120

# FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-35

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## AND

# TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 114

# FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-52

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Replace the following pages of the Appendix "A" Technical Specifications with the enclosed pages. The revised pages are identified by Amendment number and contain vertical lines indicating the areas of change.

Remove Pages	Insert Pages
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## EMERGENCY CORE COOLING SYSTEMS

#### LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

### ACTION: (Continued)

- 2) The volume weighted average boron concentration of the accumulators less than the lower LCO limit presented in the Core Operating Limits Report but greater than the minimum required to ensure post-LOCA subcriticality presented in the Core Operating Limits Report, restore the inoperable accumulator to OPERABLE status or return the volume weighted average boron concentration of the accumulators to greater than the lower LCO limit presented in the Core Operating Limits Report and enter ACTION c.1 within 6 hours of the low boron determination or be in HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and reduce Reactor Coolant System pressure to less than 1000 psig within the following 6 hours.
- 3) The volume weighted average boron concentration of the accumulators equal to the minimum required to ensure post-LOCA subcriticality presented in the Core Operating Limits Report or less, return the volume weighted average boron concentration of the accumulators to greater than the minimum required to ensure post-LOCA subcriticality presented in the Core Operating Limits Report and enter ACTION c.2 within 1 hour of the low boron determination or be in HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and reduce Reactor Coolant System pressure to less than 1000 psig within the following 6 hours.

#### SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.5.1.1 Each cold leg injection accumi ator shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:
  - a. At least once per 12 hours by:
    - Verifying, by the absence of alarms, the contained borated water volume and nitrogen cover-pressure in the tanks, and

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- Verifying that each cold leg injection accumulator isolation valve is open.
- At least once per 31 days and within 6 hours after each solution volume increase of greater than or equal to 75 gallons by verifying the boron concentration of the accumulator solution;

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## SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- c. At least once per 31 days when the Reactor Coolant System pressure is above 2000 psig by verifying that power is removed from the isolation valve operators on Valves NI54A, NI65B, NI76A, and NI88B and that the respective circuit breakers are padlocked; and
- d. At least once per 18 months by verifying that each cold leg injection accumulator isolation valve opens automatically under each of the following conditions:
  - When an actual or a simulated Reactor Coolant System pressure signal exceeds the P-11 (Pressurizer Pressure Block of Safety Injection) Setpoint, and
  - 2) Upon receipt of a Safety Injection test signal.

4.5.1.2 Each cold leg injection accumulator water level and pressure channel shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- At least once per 31 days by the performance of an ANALOG CHANNEL OPERATIONAL TEST, and
- b. At least once per 18 months by the performance of a CHANNEL CALIBRATION.

## PLANT SYSTEMS

### SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.7.12 The groundwater level shall be determined at the following frequencies by monitoring the water level and by verifying the absence of alarm in the six groundwater monitor wells as shown in FSAR Figure 2-60 installed around the perimeter of the Reactor and Auxiliary Buildings:

- a. At least once per 7 days when the groundwater level is at or below the top of the adjacent floor slab, and
- b. At least once per 24 hours when the groundwater level is above the top of the adjacent floor slab.

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### SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- At least once per 92 days by verifying that the individual cell voltage is greater than or equal to 1.36 volts on float charge, and
- c. At least once per 18 months by verifying that:
  - The batteries, cell plates, and battery racks show no visual indication of physical damage or abnormal deterioration, and
  - The battery-to-battery and terminal connections are clean, tight, and free of corrosion.

4.7.13.3 The Standby Makeup Pump water supply shall be demonstrated OPERABLE by:

- a. Verifying at least once per 7 days:
  - That the requirements of Specification 3.9.10 are met and the boron concentration in the storage pool is greater than or equal to 2175 ppm, or
  - That a contained borated water volume of at least 112,320 gallons with minimum boron concentration of 2175 ppm is available and capable of being aligned to the Standby Makeup Pump.
- b. Verifying at least once per 92 days that the Standby Makeup Pump develops a flow of greater than or equal to 26 gpm at a pressure greater than or equal to 2488 psig.

4.7.13.4 The Standby Shutdown System 250/125-Volt Battery Bank and its associated charger shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 31 days by verifying:
  - That the electrolyte level of each battery is above the plates, and
  - The total battery terminal voltage is greater than or equal to 258/129 volts on float charge.
- b. At least once per 92 days by verifying that the specific gravity is appropriate for continued service of the battery, and
- c. At least once per 18 months by verifying that:
  - The batteries, cell plates, and battery racks show no visual indications of physical damage or abnormal deterioration, and
  - The battery-to-battery and terminal connections are clean, tight, free of corrosion and coated with anti-corrosion material.

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### 3/4.9 REFUELING OPERATIONS

## 3/4.9.1 BORON CONCENTRATION

### LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.9.1 The boron concentration of all filled portions of the Reactor Coolant System and the refueling canal shall be maintained uniform and sufficient to ensure that the more restrictive of the following reactivity conditions is met either:

a. A Kett of 0.95 or less, or

b. A boron concentration of greater than or equal to 2175 ppm.

APPLICABILITY: MODE 6.\*

### ACTION:

With the requirements of the above specification not satisfied, immediately suspend all operations involving CORE ALTERATIONS or positive reactivity changes and initiate and continue boration at greater than or equal to 30 gpm of a solution containing greater than or equal to 7000 ppm boron or its equivalent until  $K_{eff}$  is reduced to less than or equal to 0.95 or the boron concentration is restored to greater than or equal to 2175 ppm, whichever is the more restrictive.

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4.9.1.1 The more restrictive of the above two reactivity conditions shall be determined prior to:

- a. Removing or unbolting the reactor vessel head, and
- b. Withdrawal of any full-length control rod in excess of 3 feet from its fully inserted position within the reactor vessel.

4.9.1.2 The boron concentration of the Reactor Coolant System and the refueling canal shall be determined by chemical analysis at least once per 72 hours.

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<sup>\*</sup>The reactor shall be maintained in MODE 6 whenever fuel is in the reactor vessel with the vessel head closure bolts less than fully tensioned or with the head removed.

## 3/4.9 REFUELING OPERATIONS

#### BASES

#### 3/4.9.1 BORON CONCENTRATION

The limitations on reactivity conditions during REFUELING ensure that: (1) the reactor will remain subcritical during CORE ALTERATIONS, and (2) a uniform boron concentration is maintained for reactivity control in the water volume having direct access to the reactor vessel. These limitations are consistent with the initial conditions assumed for the boron dilution incident in the safety analyses. The value of 0.95 or less for  $K_{eff}$  includes a 1%  $\Delta k/k$ conservative allowance for uncertainties. Similarly, the boron concentration value of 2175 ppm or greater includes a conservative uncertainty allowance of 50 ppm boron.

### 3/4.9.2 INSTRUMENTATION

The OPERABILITY of the Boron Dilution Mitigation System ensures that monitoring capability is available to detect changes in the reactivity condition of the core.

#### 3/4.9.3 DECAY TIME

The minimum requirement for reactor subcriticality prior to movement of irradiated fuel assemblies in the reactor vessel ensures that sufficient time has elapsed to allow the radioactive decay of the short-lived fission products. This decay time is consistent with the assumptions used in the safety analyses.

### 3/4.9.4 CONTAINMENT BUILDING PENETRATIONS

The requirements on containment building penetration closure and OPERABILITY of the Reactor Building Containment Purge System ensure that a release of radioactive material within containment will be restricted from leakage to the environment or filtered through the HEPA filters and activated carbon adsorbers prior to release to the atmosphere. The OPERABILITY and closure restrictions are sufficient to restrict radioactive material release from a fuel element rupture based upon the lack of containment pressurization potential while in the REFUELING MODE. Operation of the Reactor Building Containment Purge System and the resulting iodine removal capacity are consistent with the assumption of the safety analysis. Operation of the system with the heaters operating to maintain low humidity using automatic control for at least 10 continuous hours in a 31-day period is sufficient to reduce the buildup of moisture on the adsorbers and HEPA filters. ANSI N510-1980 will be used as a procedural guide for surveillance testing.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

### CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT (Continued)

 DPC-NF-2010P-A, "Duke Power Company McGuire Nuclear Station Catawba Nuclear Station Nuclear Physics Methodology for Reload Design," June 1985 (DPC Proprietary).

(Methodology for Specification 3.1.1.3 - Moderator Temperature Coefficient.)

 DPC-NE-3002A, "FSAR Chapter 15 System Transient Analysis Methodology," November 1991.

(Methodology used in the system thermal-hydraulic analyses which determine the core operating limits)

 DPC-NE-30COP-A, Rev. 1, "Thermal-Hydraulic Transient Analysis Methodology," November 1991.

(Modeling used in the system thermal-hydraulic analyses)

 DPC-NE-1004A, "Design Methodology Using CASMO-3/Simulate-3P," November 1992.

(Methodology for Specification 3.1.1.3 - Moderator Temperature Coefficient.)

 DPC-NE-2004P-A, "Duke Power Company McGuire and Catawba Nuclear Stations Core Thermal-Hydraulic Methodology using VIPRE-01," December 1991 (DPC Proprietary).

(Methodology for Specifications 2.2.1 - Reactor Trip System Instrumentation Setpoints, 3.2.1 - Axial Flux Difference (AFD), and 3.2.3 - Nuclear Enthalpy Rise Hot Channel Factor FDH (X,Y).)

 DPC-NE-2001P-A, Rev. 1, "Fuel Mechanical Reload Analysis Methodology for Mark-BW Fuel," October 1990 (DPC Proprietary).

(Methodology for Specification 2.2.1 - Reactor Trip System Instrumentation Setpoints.)

The core operating limits shall be determined so that all applicable limits (e.g., fuel thermal-mechanical limits, core thermal-hydraulic limits, ECCS limits, nuclear limits such as shutdown margin, and transient and accident analysis limits) of the safety analysis are met.

The CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT, including any mid-cycle revisions or supplements thereto, shall be provided upon issuance, for each reload cycle, to the NRC in accordance with 10 CFR 50.4.