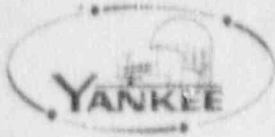


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Subject: Yankee Nuclear Power Station Organization Changes

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Section 50.90 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Yankee Atomic Electric Company hereby proposes the following modification to Appendix A of the operating license.

Proposed Change

Reference is made to the Technical Specifications of the Yankee Nuclear Power Station's (YNPS's) Operating License No. DPR-3. We propose to modify the license as follows:

1. Modify Specification 6.3.1, Page 6-6, to reflect the addition of the Operations Director, the promotion of the Maintenance Manager to Maintenance Director, the promotion of the Operations Support Supervisor to Operations Support Manager, standardization of the titles, and a realignment of the positions as they appear in the Technical Specification.
2. Modify Specification 6.5.1.2, Page 6-7, to reflect the addition of the Operations Director to the Plant Operation Review Committee (PORC), changes in titles to reflect the promotions as noted above, the elimination of the Vice Chairman positions, standardization of the titles, and realignment of the members as they are listed in the Technical Specification.
3. Modify Specification 6.5.1.3, Page 6-7, to allow the appointment of Alternate Chairmen and remove from this section the restrictions on the number of alternates that can participate as voting members or count toward a quorum.

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4. Modify Specification 6.5.1.4, Page 6-7, to change the title of Vice Chairman to Alternate Chairman.
5. Modify Specification 6.5.1.5, Page 6-7, to restate the quorum requirements and add restrictions on the participation of alternate members that were removed from Specification 6.5.1.3.
6. Modify Specification 6.5.1.6.i, Page 6-8, to review the Plant Security Plan and implementing procedures and changes made thereto.
7. Modify Specification 6.5.1.6.j, Page 6-8, to review the Emergency Plan and implementing procedures and changes made thereto, and recommendation for approval to the Emergency Planning Manager.

Reason and Basis for Change

This Technical Specification change reflects staffing title changes, additions and realignments, allows the PORC Chairman to appoint his alternates, improves the readability of the affected sections, and provides a review by the PORC of changes made to the Security Plan, Emergency Plan, and implementing procedures. These changes are summarized as follows:

1. A new position, entitled Operations Director, reports to the Assistant Plant Superintendent and will be a member of the PORC. His qualifications are commensurate with those of the Technical Director. The Operations Manager and Operations Support Manager report to the Operations Director. This new position will provide improved management oversight to the Operations Department organization.
2. The title of the Maintenance Manager has been changed to Maintenance Director, and the title of Operations Support Supervisor has been changed to Operations Support Manager. These changes reflect promotions within the organization.
3. The listing of the facility staff and the PORC was realigned to enhance readability. Additionally, the staff titles were standardized. The term "Plant" had been used inconsistently in the managers' titles. Since all the listed positions are for the plant staff, the term "Plant" was dropped.
4. The composition of the PORC was modified to remove the position of Vice Chairman and allow the PORC Chairman to appoint Alternate Chairmen. This change is consistent with NUREG-0452, Revision 4, "Standard Technical Specifications for Westinghouse Pressurized Water Reactors," and will allow the PORC Chairman to appoint qualified individuals to serve in his absence.
5. The sections addressing the appointment of alternates and PORC quorum were modified to reflect the change to Alternate Chairmen, and move the restrictions concerning the use of alternates to the section that addresses quorum requirements. Additionally, the quorum requirements were reworded. These changes were made to improve the readability of the Technical Specifications.

6. The requirement for the review of the Plant Security Plan and implementing procedures was modified to remove the requirement to submit recommended changes to the Security Advisor. In practice, the plant Security Manager recommends changes of the Plan and procedures to the PORC. Additionally, the position of Security Advisor has been discontinued.
7. The requirement to review the Emergency Plan and implementing procedures was modified to remove the requirement to submit recommended changes to the Radiation Protection Manager. In practice, the Plant Emergency Preparedness Coordinator or the corporate Emergency Preparedness organization recommends changes to the Plan and implementing procedures which are then reviewed by the PORC. The individual now responsible for the overall emergency planning function is the Emergency Planning Manager. It is, therefore, appropriate that the PORC recommend approval of the Plan and implementing procedures to the Emergency Planning Manager.

Safety Considerations

These changes are administrative in nature and are necessary to reflect organizational changes at Yankee Nuclear Power Station. The changes described above will provide for the realignment of management resources for improved supervisory control of plant activities and improve the clarity and readability of the Technical Specifications. As such, these changes will not:

1. Involve a significant increase in the probability or consequence of an accident previously evaluated. The administrative nature of the changes will not affect safety-related systems or components and, therefore, will not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated.
2. Create the possibility of a new or different accident from any previously evaluated. The changes described in this proposed change do not modify any plant systems or components and will not create the possibility of a new or different accident from any previously evaluated.
3. Involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. This proposed change contains staffing and organizational changes that are consistent with existing personnel qualifications and staffing practices and will not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety.

Based on the above considerations contained herein, it is concluded that there is reasonable assurance that the operation of Yankee Nuclear Power Station, consistent with the proposed change, will not endanger the health and safety of the public.

This proposed change has been reviewed by the Nuclear Safety Audit and Review Committee.

