

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY
DOCKET NO. 50-423
NOTICE OF PARTIAL WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, et al. (the licensee) to withdraw a portion of its March 28, 1990 application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License NPF-49 for the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, located at the licensee's site in New London County, Connecticut.

The proposed amendment would have modified Technical Specification (TS) 3/4.8.1, "A.C. Sources," to include provisions to eliminate the fast, cold, repetitive starting of diesel generators. Additional changes in TS 3/4.8.1 and its Bases have been proposed regarding instrumentation and test standards. In addition, TS 3/4.8.2, "D.C. Sources" would be changed to clarify the remedial measure for inoperability of the required full capacity battery chargers.

In the portion of the proposal which was withdrawn, it was proposed that Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.a.6 (a monthly surveillance test) would be modified to specify error bands in loading the diesel generator in lieu of the existing requirement to load the diesel generator greater than or equal to a given value. Also, it was proposed that Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.g.7 (a 24-hour run test) be modified to specify an indicated target

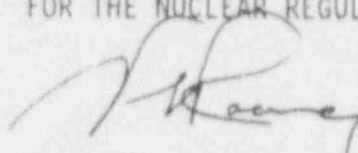
value in lieu of existing requirement to load the diesel generator greater than or equal to a given value.

The Commission has previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on August 13, 1990 (55 FR 32985). However, by letter dated November 22, 1991, the licensee withdrew the above described portion of the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated March 28, 1990, with supplemental information provided by letter dated July 24, 1990, and the licensee's letter dated November 22, 1991, which withdrew a portion of the application for license amendment. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20555, and at the local public document room located at the Learning Resources Center, Thames Valley State Technical College, 574 New London Turnpike, Norwich, Connecticut 06360.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 9th day of March 1992.

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