

# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 67 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-80

AMD AMENDMENT NO. 66 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-82

PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

DIABLO CANYON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-275 AND 50-323

#### INTRODUCTION

By letter dated May 23, 1991, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E or the licensee) submitted a request for changes to the Technical Specificatio. (TS) to Facility Operating Licenses DPR-80 and DPR-82 for Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2, respectively. The amendment application is designated License Amendment Request LAR-91-04. The proposed amendments incorporate programmatic controls for radiological effluents and radiological environmental monitoring in the Administrative Controls section of the TS consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 20.106, 40 CFR Part 190, 10 CFR 50.36a, and Appendix I to 10 CFR Part 50. At the same time, the licensee proposed to transfer the procedural details of the Radiological Effluent Technical Specifications (RETS) from the TS to the Radiological Monitoring and Controls Program (RMCP) or the Process Control Program (PCP) for solid radioactive wastes as appropriate. With these changes, the specifications related to RETS reporting requirements were simplified. Finally, changes to the definitions of the RMCP and PCP were proposed consistent with these changes. Guidance on these proposed changes was provided to all power reactor licensees and applicants by Generic Letter 89-01 dated January 31, 1989.

## EVALUATION

The licensee's proposed changes to the TS are in accordance with the guidance provided in Generic Letter 89-01 and are addressed below.

- (1) The licensee has proposed to incorporate programmatic controls for radioactive effluents and radiological environmental monitoring in Specification 6.8.4, "Procedures and Programs" of the TS as noted in the guidance provided in Generic Letter 89-01. The programmatic controls ensure that programs are established, implemented, and maintained to ensure that operating procedures are provided to control radioactive effluents consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 20.106, 40 CFR Part 190, 10 CFR 50.36a, and Appendix I to 10 CFR Part 50.
- (2) The licensee has confirmed that the detailed procedural requirements addressing Limiting Conditions for Operation, their applicability, remedial actions, associated surveillance requirements or reporting

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requirements for the following specifications have been prepared to implement the relocation of these procedural details to the RMCP or PCP. These changes to the RMCP and PCP have been prepared in accordance with the new Administrative Controls in the TS on changes to the RMCP and PCP so that they will be implemented in the RMCP or PCP when this amendment is issued.

## SPECIFICATION TITLE 3/4.3.3.9 RADIOACTIVE LIQUID EFFLUENT MONITORING INSTRUMENTATION 3/4.3.3.10 RADIOACTIVE GASEOUS EFFLUENT MONITORING INSTRUMENTATION 3/4.11.1.1 RADICACTIVE EFFLUENTS: LIQUID EFFLUENTS CONCENTRATION 3/4.11.1.2 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: LIQUID EFFLUENTS DOSE 3/4.11.1.3 RADICACTIVE EFFLUENTS: LIQUID RADWASTE TREATMENT SYSTEM 3/4.11.2.1 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: GASEOUS EFFLUENTS DOSE RATE 3/4.11.2.2 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: DOSE - NOBLE GASES 3/4.11.2.3 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: USE IODINE-131, IODINE-133, TRITIUM, AND RADIOACTI, ATERIAL IN PARTICULATE FORM 3/4.11.2.4 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: GASEOUS RADWASTE TREATMENT SYSTEM 3/4.11.3 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: SOLID RADIOACTIVE WASTES 3/4.11.4 RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS: TOTAL DOSE 3,4.12.1 RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING: MONITORING PROGRAM 3/4.12.2 RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING: LAND USE CENSUS 3/4.12.3 RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING: INTERLABORATORY COMPARISON PROGRAM 0.9.1.5 ANNUAL RADIOLOGICAL ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATING REPORT 6.9.1.6 SEMIANNUAL RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENT FELEASE REPORT 6.15 MAJOR CHANGES TO LIQUID, GASEOUS, AND SOLID RADWASTE TREATMENT SYSTEMS

These procedural details that have been removed from the TS are not required by the Commission's regulations to be included in TS. They have been prepared for incorporation in the RMCP or PCP upon issuance of this license amendment and may be subsequently changed by the licensee without prior NRC approval. Changes to the RMCP and PCP are documented and will be retained for the duration of the operating license in accordance with Specification 6.10.2.0.

(3) The licensee has proposed replacing the existing specifications in the Administrative Controls section of the TS for the Annual Radiological Environmental Operating Report, Specification 6.9.1.5; for the Semiannual Radioactive Effluent Release Report, Specification 6.9.1.6; for the Process Control Program, Specification 6.13; and for the Offsite Dose Calculation Manual, Specification 6.14, with the updated specifications that were provided in Generic Letter 89-01.

The following specifications that are included under the heading of Radioactive Etgluents have been retained in the TS. This is in accordance with the guidance of Generic Letter 89-01.

#### SPECIFICATION

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### TITLE

- 3/4.3.3.10 EXPLOSIVE GAS MONITORING INSTRUMENTATION (Retained existing requirements of this specification)
- 3/4.11.1.4 LIQUID HOLDUP TANKS
- 3/4.11.2.5 EXPLOSIVE GAS MIXTURE
- 3/4.11.2.6 GAS STORAGE TANKS
- (4) The licensee has requested that the implementation of the changes for this amendment become effective 90 days from the issuance of the amendment. Their request is based on the large number of procedures affected by this change.

Due to the nature of this amendment, the staff considers the licensee's request acceptable.

On the basis of the above, the staff finds that the changes included in the proposed TS amendment request are consistent with the guidance provided in Generic Letter 89-01. Because the control of radioactive effluents continues to be limited in accordance with operating procedures that must satisfy the regulatory requirements of 10 CFR 20.106, 40 CFR Part 190, 10 CFR 50.36a, and Appendix I to 10 CFR Part 50, the NRC staff concludes that this change is administrative in nature and there is no impact on plant safety as a consequence. Accordingly, the staff finds the proposed changes acceptable.

#### STATE CONSULTATION

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

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments change requirements with respect to the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted areas as defined in 10 CFR Part 20 and changes in surveillance requirements. The NRC staff has determined that the amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that these amendments involve no significant hazards consideration and there has been no public comment on such finding (56 FR 33959). Accordingly, these amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). These amendments also involve changes in record-keeping, reporting or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, with respect to these items, 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 these amendments.

## 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 these amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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