

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-65

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY

THE CONNECTICUT LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

THE WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

MILLSTONE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 2

DOCKET NO. 50-336

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated August 31, 1995, the Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO or the licensee) requested an amendment to change the Technical Specifications (TS) for the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2. The proposed amendment would revise the Technical Specifications by removing the phrase "other than Millstone Unit No. 2" from the Administrative Controls Section 6.3.1, Item (a).

2.0 BACKGROUND, DISCUSSION AND EVALUATION

Amendment No. 178 issued on August 11, 1994, requires an individual who serves as the Operations Manager to either hold a Millstone Unit No. 2 Senior Reactor Operator (SRO) license or have held an SRO license at another pressurized water reactor other than Millstone Unit No. 2. If the Operations Manager does not hold a Millstone Unit No. 2 SRO license, then an individual serving as the Assistant Operations Manager (newly created position) would be required to possess an SRO license at Millstone Unit No. 2. This individual would be required to meet the requirements for and would have the responsibilities as recommended by the American Nuclear Standards Institute (ANSI)/American National Standard (ANS)-3.1-1987 for the Operations Middle Manager position.

It was never the intent of the licensee to exclude an individual from the Operations Manager position who had held a Millstone Unit No. 2 SRO license in the past, but who is no longer licensed. Removing the phrase "other than Millstone Unit No. 2" does not diminish the qualifications for the position of Operations Manager. An individual who previously manitained an SRO license on Millstone Unit No. 2 would have the level of expertise expected of any individual who has held an SRO license at another pressurized water reactor. In addition the individual would further have plant specific knowledge on Millstone Unit No. 2. Therefore, the proposed change is acceptable.

3.0 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGES

The following TS change has been proposed. The staff finds this change acceptable.

(1) For TS 6.3.1, Item (a.) would be changed to:

"If the Operations Manager does not hold a senior reactor operator license for Millstone Unit 2, then the Operations Manager shall have held a senior reactor operator license at a Pressurized Water Reactor and an individual serving in the capacity of the Assistant Operations Manager shall hold a senior reactor operator license for Millstone Unit 2"

4.0 STATE CONSULTATION

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

5.0 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.

6.0 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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