



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

DOCKET NO. 50-333

JAMES A. FITZPATRICK NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 177
License No. DPR-59

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Power Authority of the State of New York (the licensee) dated December 19, 1991, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and regulations 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;
 - 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.
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. DPR-59 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 177, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance to be implemented within 30 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Attachment:
Changes to the Technical
Specifications

Date of Issuance: February 10, 1992

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 177

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Revise Appendix A as follows:

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2. If the fire protection systems smoke and/or heat detectors in Tables 3.12.1 and 3.12.2 cannot be restored to an operable status within 14 days, a written report to the Commission outlining the action taken, the cause of inoperability and plans and schedule for restoring the detectors to an operable status shall be prepared and submitted within 30 days.

F. Fire Barrier Penetration Seals

1. All fire barrier penetrations, including cable penetration barriers, fire doors and fire dampers, in fire zone boundaries protecting safety related areas shall be functional.
2. With one or more of the required fire barrier penetrations non-functional, within one hour establish a continuous fire watch on at least one side of the affected penetration or verify the operability of fire detectors on at least one side of the non-functional fire barrier and establish an hourly fire watch patrol. Restore the non-functional fire barrier penetration(s) to functional status within 7 days or, in lieu of any other report required by Specification 6.9.A, prepare and submit a Special Report to the Commission pursuant to Specification 6.9.B within 30 days outlining the action taken, the cause of the non-functional penetration and plans and schedule for restoring the fire barrier penetration(s) to functional status.

F. Fire Barrier Penetration Seals

1. All fire barrier penetration seals for each protected area shall be visually inspected once/1.5 years to verify functional integrity. For those fire barrier-penetrations that are not in the as-designed condition, an evaluation shall be performed to show that the modification has not degraded the fire rating of the fire barrier penetration.*
2. Any repair of fire barrier penetration seals shall be followed by a visual inspection.

* The current surveillance interval for visually inspecting fire barrier penetration seals is extended until May 15, 1992. This is a onetime extension, effective only for this inspection interval. The next surveillance interval began September 27, 1991.