

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

SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS NOS. 107 AND 111 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES NOS. DPR-44 AND DPR-56

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PEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION, UNITS NOS. 2 AND 3

DOCKETS NOS. 50-277 AND 50-278

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated September 14, 1984, the Philadelphia Electric Company, et al. (the licensee) made application to amend the Technical Specifications (TSs) for the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units Nos. 2 and 3, to permit deletion of Table 3.11.D.1, "Safety Related Shock Suppressors," and the addition of criteria specifying which snubbers are required to be operable and which snubbers are exempted from the requirements of Section 3.11.D - Shock Suppressors (Snubbers) on Safety Related Systems. The licensee's application was made in response to the NRC staff's Generic Letter 84-13, "Technical Specifications for Snubbers," dated May 3, 1984.

2.0 EVALUATION

In guidance provided to licensees in its Generic Letter on snubber TSs (GL 84-13), the NRC staff indicated that it had reassessed the inclusion of snubber listings within the TSs and concluded that such listings were not necessary provided the snubber TSs are modified to specify which snubbers are required to be operable. The licensee's requested changes to the TSs would delete the tabular listings of snubbers (Table 3.11.D.1) in accordance with the above guidance. The licensee also requested the addition of criteria to Section 3.11.D. and the appropriate Bases to require all snubbers other than specified exceptions to be operable in accordance with the staff's Generic Letter Guidance.

We have reviewed the current TSs together with the proposed changes and compared these changes with the model TSs provided in Generic Letter 84-13. From our review, we conclude that these changes are in accordance with the quidance and associated model TSs provided in Generic Letter 84-13 and are, therefore, acceptable. The proposed elimination from the Peach Bottom TSs of all snubber listings in Table 3.11.D.1 is acceptable because the proposed TS changes provide additional Specifications indicating which snubbers are required to be operable and which are exempt from the requirements of Section 3.11.D in accordance with the staff's guidance in Generic Letter 84-13.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments involve a change in the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. We have 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. Accordingly, these amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). 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.

4.0 CONCLUSION

We have 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, and (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and 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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