UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY, ET AL. DOCKET NO. 50-423

NOTICE OF DENIAL OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE AND OPPORTUNITY FOF. HEAFING

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied in part a request by Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, (licensee) for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-49, issued to the licensee for operation of the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, located in New London County, Connecticut. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on January 8, 1992 (57 FR 712).

The purpose of the part of the licensee's amendment request which was denied was to revise the Technical Specifications (TS) to change Technical Specification 3/4.7.7 with respect to action required during Modes 5 and 6 when (1) one control room emergency air filtration system (CREAFS) is inoperable, and (2) the operable CREAFS is not powered by the operable emergency power source.

The NRC staff has concluded that the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed change by letter dated June 23, 1992.

By July 29, 1992 , the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene.

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A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date.

A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and to Gerald Garfield, Esquire, Day, Berry and Howard, Counselors at Law, City Place, Hartford, Connecticut 06103-3499, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated December 11, 1991, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated June 23, 1992.

These 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. A copy of Item (2) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555, Attention: Document Control Desk.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 23rd day of June 1992

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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