



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

SAFETY EVALUATION

AMENDMENT NO. 42 TO NPF-10

AMENDMENT NO. 31 TO NPF-15

SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION, UNITS 2 & 3

DOCKET NOS. 50-361 AND 50-382

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Southern California Edison Company (SCE), on behalf of itself and the other licensees, San Diego Gas and Electric Company, The City of Riverside, California, and The City of Anaheim, California, has submitted several applications for license amendments for San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), Units 2 and 3. One such request, Proposed Change PCN-98, is evaluated herein. This change was requested by letters dated December 2, 1983 and January 25, 1984. PCN-98 adds the following sentence to each unit's existing license condition covering fire protection (i.e., Paragraph 2.C(14)a for Unit 2 and Paragraph 2.C(12)a for Unit 3):

Only those deviations from the Fire Protection Plan that violate the requirements of Section III.G, III.J, and III.O of Appendix R to 10 CFR 50 and are not otherwise subject to Technical Specifications Limiting Conditions for Operation shall be reported in accordance with License Condition 2.G.

The change would remove the requirement currently in the operating licenses to report all deviations from the Fire Hazards Analysis pursuant to Item 2.G of the operating licenses. Item 2.G currently requires that the NRC be informed by telephone within 24 hours of discovery of the deviation with a written confirmation no later than the first working day after discovery of the deviation, and submittal of a follow-up report within 14 days.

However, the licensees will still be required to report violations of Sections III.G, III.J, and III.O of Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50 under item 2.G of the operating licenses. Also, all reporting requirements of the Technical Specifications will remain in effect.

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2.0 EVALUATION OF PROPOSED CHANGE

The NRC staff has evaluated the proposed change and has concluded that it is acceptable, even though it would relax the reporting requirements for minor deviations from the Fire Hazards Analysis. The staff finds this acceptable because such reporting is not required by the Standard Review Plan (SRP), and is inconsistent with staff practice on other licensed plants. With the change in place, deviations from Sections III.G, J, and O of Appendix R will still be reportable, as well as deviations from the numerous fire protection requirements of the facility Technical Specifications. Therefore, the staff concludes that the proposed change meets all applicable safety criteria and is therefore acceptable.

3.0 CONTACT WITH STATE OFFICIAL

The NRC staff has advised the Chief of the Radiological Health Branch, State Department of Health Services, State of California, of the proposed determination of no significant hazards consideration. No comments were received.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments involve changes in the installation or use of facility components located within the restricted area. The staff has determined that the amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts of any effluents that may be released offsite and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupation radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued proposed findings that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration, and there has been no public comment on such findings. Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR Sec. 51.22(c)(9). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need to be prepared in connection with the issuance of these amendments.

5.0 CONCLUSION

Based upon our evaluation of the proposed changes to the San Onofre Units 2 and 3 Technical Specifications, we have concluded that: there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public. We, therefore, conclude that the proposed changes are acceptable, and are hereby incorporated into the San Onofre 2 and 3 Technical Specifications.

Dated: March 13, 1986