



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

RELATED TO AMENDMENTS NOS. 82 AND 75 TO

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES NOS. DPR-42 AND DPR-60

NORTHERN STATES POWER COMPANY

PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT, UNITS NOS. 1 AND 2

DOCKETS NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated August 14, 1987, as supplemented by letters dated August 27, 1987, January 4 and February 10, 1988, Northern States Power Company (NSP), the licensee, requested amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-42 and DPR-60 for the Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant, Units Nos. 1 and 2 (PINGP). The amendments would change the Technical Specifications by revising Figure 6.1-2 and Sections 6.1.D and 6.5.G of the administrative requirements. Specifically, the changes affect only Technical Specification Section 6.0, "Administrative Controls," as briefly described below:

A. Figure TS 6.1-2:

The licensee has reorganized the on-site plant staff. This reorganization has deleted the position of Plant Superintendent Operations and Maintenance. The current positions of Superintendent of Maintenance and Superintendent of Operations have been upgraded to General Superintendent Plant Maintenance and General Superintendent Plant Operations, respectively. The upgraded positions report directly to the Plant Manager. The title of Plant Superintendent Engineering and Radiation Protection has been changed to General Superintendent Plant Engineering and Radiation Protection. The licensee also changed the notation of LSO to FLSO for the General Superintendent Plant Operations and deleted the notation LCO for the position of General Superintendent Plant Engineering and Radiation Protection.

The shift position of Shift Manager has been created.

The position of Supervisor of Security and Services has been deleted from the organization chart and the new positions of General Superintendent Planning and Services and Assistant to the Plant Manager have been created. The responsibility for fire protection has been reassigned to the Plant Manager, and management control for security has been transferred to the General Superintendent Planning and Services.

B. Technical Specification Section 6.1-D

In TS 6.1.D the requirements of the General Superintendent Plant Operations were added to the section.

C. Technical Specification Section 6.5.G

The change to TS 6.5.G permits temporary changes to Operations Committee reviewed procedures that do not change the intent of the original procedure to be made with the concurrence of two members of the unit management staff, one of whom holds a Senior Reactor Operator's license.

2.0 DISCUSSION AND EVALUATION

The reorganization changes involving the deletion of the position of Plant Superintendent Operations and Maintenance and the upgrading of the current positions of Superintendent of Maintenance and Superintendent of Operations are considered administrative changes that do not impact on the Code of Federal Regulations or NRC policies regarding title changes of positions. Therefore, we find the requested changes acceptable.

The deletion of the position of Supervisor of Security and Services with the transfer of its functions to the new position General Superintendent Planning and Services is considered an administrative change that has no impact on the plant margin of safety. The creation of the new position of Assistant to the Plant Manager also falls into this category. We find these changes acceptable.

The licensee requested that the notation (LSO) on Figure TS 6.1-2 for the position of General Superintendent Plant Engineering and Radiation Protection be deleted. LSO means that the individual filling that position requires a senior license. We find this requested change acceptable as we do not require the individual filling this position to have a senior operator license.

The title change of the Plant Superintendent Engineering and Radiation Protection to General Superintendent Plant Engineering and Radiation Protection is merely a title change that has no impact on the duties and responsibility of the position. We therefore find it acceptable.

The reassignment of the fire protection responsibilities to the Plant Manager is considered an administrative change that will not impact the safety level of fire protection. The staff finds it acceptable.

The licensee requested that the notation (LSO) on Figure TS 6.1-2 for the position of General Superintendent Plant Operations be changed to the notation (FLSO). FLSO is defined as formerly licensed senior operator or holds a current senior license. By letter dated February 10, 1988, the licensee submitted a revision to TS Figure 6.1-2 that indicates at least one member of plant management holding a current Senior Reactor Operator license will be assigned to the plant operations group on a long term basis (i.e. approximately two years). This individual will not be assigned to a rotating shift. Therefore, the position of General Superintendent Plant Operations would not be required

to hold a Senior Reactor Operator license. We agree with the licensee in that the revision to TS Figure 6.1-2, submitted by letter dated February 10, 1988, is consistent with requirements of the latest version (1987) of ANSI/ANS-3.1. The revised standard does not require the plant operations manager to hold a current license provided that such a license is held by an operation middle manager. On this basis, we find the requested change acceptable since the General Superintendent Plant Operations need not hold a senior license provided that at least one individual in the plant operations group holds such a license.

In regard to the proposed change to TS Section 6.5.G on temporary changes to procedures, the licensee has requested that this section be changed from "...may be made with the concurrence of two individuals holding senior operator licenses" to "...may be made with the concurrence of two members of the unit management staff, at least one of whom holds a senior operator's license." We find this change acceptable as it is consistent with the Standard Technical Specifications.

The licensee requested adding a phrase to Section 6.1.D that provides the requirements of the General Superintendent Plant Operations. We find this requested change acceptable since requirements appearing in Section 6.1.D supplement requirements appearing in Table TS 6.1-2, and the change is consistent with the Standard Technical Specifications.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments relate to changes in recordkeeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, these amendments meet 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 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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