

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONPECO ENERGY COMPANYPEACH BOTTOM ATOMIC POWER STATION, UNIT 2DOCKET NO. 50-277NOTICE OF PARTIAL DENIAL OF AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE
AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has partially denied a request by PECO Energy Company (the licensee), for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-44 issued to the licensee for operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Unit 2, located in York County, Pennsylvania. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of the amendment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on September 9, 1998 (63 FR 48261).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the Technical Specifications (TS) to add a footnote to TS Section 5.6.5.b.1.

The NRC staff has concluded that a part of the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's partial denial of the proposed change by conference calls on September 2 and 9, 1998, and by letter dated October 26, 1998.

By November 30, 1998, 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.

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 20555-0001 Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date.

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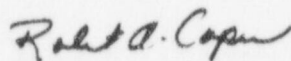
A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to J. W. Durham, Sr., Esquire, PECO Energy Company, 2301 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19101, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated July 10, 1998, as supplemented by two letters dated September 11, 1998, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated October 26, 1998.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, (REGIONAL DEPOSITORY) Education Building, Walnut Street and Commonwealth Avenue, Box 1601, Harrisburg, PA 17105.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of October 1998.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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