

and its application in the entry screening function would preclude unauthorized use of a badge/keycard, the requested exemption would allow employees and contractors to keep their badges at the time of exiting the protected area. The process of verifying badge/keycard issuance, ensuring badge/keycard retrieval, and maintaining badges/keycards, could be eliminated while the balance of the access procedure would remain intact. Firearm, explosive, and metal detection equipment and provisions for conducting searches will remain as well. The security officer responsible for the last access control function (controlling admission to the protected area) will also remain isolated within a bullet-resistant structure in order to assure his or her ability to respond or to summon assistance.

Use of a hand geometry biometrics system exceeds the present verification methodology's capability to discern an individual's identity. Unlike the combined photograph identification badge/keycard, hand geometry is nontransferable. During the initial access authorization or registration process, hand measurements are recorded and the template is stored for subsequent use in the identity verification process required for entry into the protected area. Authorized individuals insert their badge/keycard into the card reader and the biometrics system records an image of the hand geometry. The unique features of the newly recorded image are then compared to the template previously stored in the database. Access is ultimately granted based on the degree to which the characteristics of the image match those of the "signature" template.

Since both the badge/keycard and hand geometry would be necessary for access into the protected area, the proposed system would provide for a positive verification process. Potential loss of a badge/keycard by an individual, as a result of taking the badge offsite, would not enable an unauthorized entry into protected areas.

The access process will continue to be under the observation of security personnel. The system of identification badges/keycards will continue to be used for all individuals who are authorized access to protected areas without escorts. Badges/keycards will continue to be displayed by all individuals while inside the protected area. Addition of a hand geometry biometrics system will provide a significant contribution to effective implementation of the security plan at the site.

The change will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released offsite, and there is no significant increase in the allowable individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed action does involve features located entirely within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. It does not effect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission has concluded there is no measurable environmental impact associated with the proposed action, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action. Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statements for the Beaver Valley Power Station Units Nos. 1 and 2.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on April 18, 1995, the staff consulted with the Pennsylvania State official, Robert C. Maiers of the Bureau of Radiation Protection, Department of Environmental Resources, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated February 8, 1995, which is

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 B.F. Jones Memorial Library, 663 Franklin Avenue, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania 15001.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 22nd day of May 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of issuance.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued Supplement 1 to Revision 1 to Generic Letter 92-01, "Reactor Vessel Structural Integrity," on May 19, 1995. This generic letter supplement will be available in the NRC Public Document Room under accession number 9505090312. This generic letter supplement was issued on an expedited basis in accordance with NRC procedures. This generic letter supplement is discussed in Commission information paper SECY-95-118 which will also be available in the NRC Public Document Room.

DATES: The generic letter supplement was issued on May 19, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Not applicable.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Not applicable.

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Uranium Recovery Facilities: Availability of Staff Technical Position on Effluent Disposal at Licensed Uranium Recovery Facilities

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