

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
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[Docket Nos. 50-295 and 50-304]

Commonwealth Edison Company; Zion Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2 Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of exemptions from certain requirements of 10 CFR part 50, Appendix J, Paragraph III, Leakage Testing Requirements, to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-39 and DPR-48, issued to Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee), for operation of the Zion Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Lake County, Illinois.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

This Environmental Assessment has been prepared to address potential environmental issues related to the licensee's application dated November 28, 1995, as supplemented on December 6, 1995. The proposed action would exempt the licensee from the requirements of 10 CFR part 50, Appendix J, Paragraph III.C and III.D, to the extent that exemptions would be granted due to system and penetration design.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The current Type C containment leak rate test requirements for Zion Nuclear Power Station, pursuant to 10 CFR part 50, Appendix J, Sections III.C and III.D.3 are that local leak rate periodic tests shall be performed during reactor shutdown for refueling, or other convenient intervals, but in no case at intervals greater than 2 years. ComEd has determined that the required tests have not been performed previously on the penetrations that form the basis for this exemption request. The exemptions are needed to allow the licensee to use an alternate testing method and thereby realize considerable cost savings, less radiological exposure and fewer unit thermal cycles with no adverse impact on public health and safety.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The proposed exemptions would not increase the probability or consequences

of accidents previously analyzed and would not affect facility radiation levels or facility radiological effluents. The licensee has analyzed the possible leak paths, availability of the isolation valve seal water system, prior Type A leak test results as they are impacted by leaks from the types of valves in question and the probability of the sequences of events necessary for significant leakage to occur through the identified pathways. The licensee has provided an acceptable basis for concluding that in spite of the proposed exemptions the containment leak rates would still be maintained within acceptable limits.

Accordingly, the Commission has concluded that the exemptions do not result in a significant increase in the amounts of any effluents that may be released nor do they result in a significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed exemption.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed exemptions only involve Type C testing of the containment. They do not affect nonradiological plant effluents and have no other environmental impact. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed exemptions.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission has concluded there is no measurable environmental impact associated with the proposed exemptions, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. The principal alternative to this action would be to deny the request for exemptions. Such action would not reduce the environmental impacts of plant operations.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of resources not previously considered in connection with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Final Environmental Statement dated December 1972, related to the operation of the Zion Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on November 28, 1995, the NRC staff consulted with the Illinois State Official, Mr. Frank Niziolek; Head, Reactor Safety Section; Division of Engineering; Illinois Department of

Nuclear Safety; 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 exemption.

For further details with respect to this action, see the licensee's letters dated November 28, 1995, as supplemented on December 6, 1995, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Waukegan Public Library, 128 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois 60085.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of December 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Public Information Collection Requirements, Request for Public Input; Personal Reference Inquiry for Administrative Law Judge Positions; Notice of Intent To Request OMB Approval for Continuation of Form OPM-192

AGENCY: U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Announcement of information collection; request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (Office) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the Personal Reference Inquiry for Administrative Law Judge positions. This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Comments are requested by February 9, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to U.S. Office of Personnel Management,

Administrative Law Judges Office,
Room 6321, 1900 E. Street NW.,
Washington, DC 20415.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Requests for additional information or
copies of the form(s) and instructions
should be directed to U.S. Office of
Personnel Management, Attn: John E.
Flannery, Room 6321, 1900 E Street
NW., Washington, DC 20415, Tel. (202)
606-0810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office
invites the general public and other
Federal agencies to comment on
proposed and/or continuing information
collections pursuant to the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-
13; 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). The
comments should address the accuracy
of the burden estimates and ways to
minimize the burden including the use
of automated collection techniques or
the use of other forms of information
technology, as well as other relevant
aspects of the information collection.
The comments that are submitted will
be summarized and included in the
Office's request for Office of
Management and Budget (OMB)
approval. All comments will become a
matter of public record. In this
document the Office is soliciting
comments concerning the following
information collection.

Title: Personal Reference Inquiry for
Administrative Law Judge Positions.
OMB Number: 3206-0043.

Form Number: OPM Form 192.

Abstract: OPM Form 192 is designed
to collect information about an
applicant's qualifications in as simple a
manner as possible. It asks reference
givers to circle statements indicating
which of the behavioral statements
describing the behavior of an attorney or
a judge are most representative of the
applicant. This format takes less time to
complete and is less burdensome to the
reference giver than the more traditional
open-ended personal reference inquiry
which asks for written statements
assessing applicants' job qualifications.
The circled marks on the returned form
are easily scored.

Current Actions: There are no changes
to the information collection. This
submission is being submitted to extend
the expiration date.

Type of Review: Extension (without
change).

Affected Public: Personal Reference
Inquiry forms are not sent to small
businesses or entities as such. However,
the person from whom information is
sought may be an employee or member
of a small business or law firm. As
explained in the above Abstract, the
form is designed in a brief, six-question

format which can be answered by
including responses. Thus, the
information collection burden on
respondents is minimal.

Estimated Number of Respondents:
Approximately 3,000 reference givers
respond each year.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 10
minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden
Hours: 500 hours.

Legal Citations: Under the provisions
of the Administrative Procedures Act of
1946 in pertinent part, now 5 U.S.C.
553-559 and 3105, and 5 U.S.C. 1104
and 3304, the U.S. Office of Personnel
Management (OPM) is required to
identify through competitive
examination qualified applicants for
appointment to Administrative Law
Judge (ALJ) positions. Further, under 5
U.S.C. 1305, OPM is specifically
authorized to collect such information
and reports as it needs to carry out its
responsibility for examining applicants
for ALJ positions.

Dated: November 7, 1995.
U.S. Office of Personnel Management.
Lorraine A. Green,
Deputy Director.
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change by American Stock Exchange, Inc. Relating to Listing Standards for Options on Equity Securities Issued in a Reorganization Transaction Pursuant to a Public Offering or a Rights Distribution

December 4, 1995.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,²
notice is hereby given that on November
29, 1995, the American Stock Exchange,
Inc. ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with
the Securities and Exchange
Commission ("Commission") the
proposed rule change as described in
Items I, II, and III below, which Items
have been prepared by the Amex. The
Commission is published this notice to
solicit comments on the proposed rule
change from interested persons.

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Amex proposes to amend its
listing standards in respect of options
on equity securities issued in a spin-off,
reorganization, recapitalization,
restructuring or similar transaction
where the issuance is made pursuant to
a public offering or a rights distribution.

The text of the proposed rule change
is available at the Office of the
Secretary, Amex, and at the
Commission.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission,
Amex included statements concerning
the purpose of and basis for the
proposed rule change and discussed any
comments it received on the proposed
rule change. The text of these statements
may be examined at the places specified
in Item IV below. The Amex has
prepared summaries, set forth in
sections (A), (B), and (C) below, of the
most significant aspects of such
statements.

A. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

The purpose of the proposed rule
change is to amend the special listing
standards set forth in Amex Rule 915,
Commentary .05 that apply to options
on equity securities issued in certain
spin-offs, reorganizations,
recapitalizations, restructurings or
similar transactions (referred to herein
as "restructuring transactions") so as to
also include securities issued pursuant
to a public offering or a rights
distribution that is part of a
restructuring transaction.

The proposed amendment to Rule
915, Commentary .05 is intended to
facilitate the listing of options on equity
securities issued in restructuring
transactions (referred to as "Restructure
Securities") by permitting the Exchange
to base its determination as to the
satisfaction of certain of the listing
standards set forth in Exchange Rule
915 and Commentary .01 thereunder by
reference to (1) specified characteristics
of the "Original Security" in respect of
which the Restructure Security was
issued or distributed; (2) the trading
market of the Original Security; (3) the
number of shares of the Restructure
Security issued and outstanding; or (4)
to the listing standards of the exchange
on which the Restructure Security is