

DATE AND TIME: October 17, 1996, 3:30 p.m., Closed Session; October 17, 1996, 4:00 p.m., Open Session.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1235, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

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Open Session (4:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.)

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Marta Cehelsky,
Executive Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50–483]

Union Electric Company; Notice of Denial of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied a request by Union Electric Company, (the licensee) for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF–30 issued to the licensee for operation of the Callaway Plant, Unit No. 1, located in Callaway County, Missouri. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the Federal Register on December 21, 1994 (59 FR 65824).

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the following Technical Specifications: (1) Table 3.7–1 that would limit the maximum allowable power levels with inoperable main steam line safety valves, (2) Table 3.7–2 that would specify that the lift setting tolerance for the main steam safety valves is +3/–1% as-found and ±1% as-left, (3) Tables 2.2–1 and 3.3–2 that would reduce the sensor error and the response time for the pressurizer pressure high trip, and

(4) Bases 3/4.7.1 that would reflect the plant uprates and the switch to V5 fuel.

The NRC staff has advised the licensee that the proposed amendment is denied since the licensee has failed to respond to the Commission's request for information to support the application.

The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed changes by letter dated October 3, 1996.

By November 8, 1996, 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, D.C., 20555–0001, Attention: Docketing and Services Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., by the above date.

A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555–0001, and to Gerald Charnoff, Esq., Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge, 2300 N. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20037, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated September 12, 1994, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated October 3, 1996.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and at the Callaway County Public Library, 710 Court Street, Fulton, Missouri 65251. A copy of item (2) may be obtained upon request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C., 20555–0001, Attention: Document Control Desk.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 3rd day of October 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,
Kristine M. Thomas,
Project Manager, Project Directorate IV-2, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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[Docket Nos. 50–317 and 50–318]

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company: Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an exemption from certain requirements of its regulations for Facility Operating License Nos. DPR–53 and DPR–69, issued to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (the licensee), for operation of the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, located in Calvert County, Maryland.

Environmental Assessment

Identification of Proposed Action

The proposed action would exempt the licensee from the requirements of 10 CFR 70.24, which requires a monitoring system that will energize clearly audible alarms if accidental criticality occurs in each area in which special nuclear material is handled, used, or stored. The proposed action would also exempt the licensee from the requirements of 10 CFR 70.24(a)(3) to maintain emergency procedures for each area in which this licensed special nuclear material is handled, used, or stored to ensure that all personnel withdraw to an area of safety upon the sounding of the alarm and to conduct drills and designate responsible individuals for such emergency procedures.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for exemption dated August 19, 1996.

The Need for the Proposed Action

Power reactor license applicants are evaluated for the safe handling, use, and storage of special nuclear materials. The proposed exemption from criticality accident requirements is based on the original design for radiation monitoring at Calvert Cliffs. Exemptions from the requirements of 10 CFR 70.24(a) "Criticality Accident Requirements" were granted in the Special Nuclear Material (SNM) licenses for each unit as part of the 10 CFR Part 70 license. However, with the issuance of the Part 50 license this exemption expired because it was inadvertently omitted in that license. Therefore, the exemption is needed to clearly define the design of the plant as evaluated and approved for licensing.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC staff has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and