

Commission regulations, and individual radiation exposure reports which are available to him.

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Comments and questions should be directed to the OMB reviewer by June 11, 1998: Erik Godwin, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (3150-0044), NEOB-10202, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments can also be submitted by telephone at (202) 395-3084.

The NRC Clearance Officer is Brenda Jo. Shelton, 301-415-7233.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 6th day of May 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Brenda Jo. Shelton,

NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-317, 50-318, and 72-8]

In the Matter of Baltimore Gas Electric Company (Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, and the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation); Order Terminating the Effectiveness of the Approval of the Transfer of Licenses for Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 and the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation

I

Baltimore Gas and Electric Company (BGE) is the licensee for Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, and the associated Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation. BGE has the exclusive responsibility for the construction, operation, and maintenance of Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 and the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI), as reflected in Operating License Nos. DPR-53, DPR-69 and Material License No. SNM-2505, issued on July 31, 1974, and November 30, 1976, and November 25, 1992, respectively, by the U.S. Nuclear

Regulatory Commission (NRC). The facilities are located on the western shore of the Chesapeake Bay, in Calvert County, Maryland.

II

By Order dated October 18, 1996, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or NRC) approved the proposed transfer of Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-53 and DPR-69 for the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, and Material License No. SNM-2505 for the Calvert Cliffs ISFSI from BGE to Constellation Energy Corporation. The approval was given in response to an application filed by BGE dated April 5, 1996, for consent under Section 50.80 and 72.50 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR 50.80 and 10 CFR 72.50). By its terms, the Order of October 18, 1996, would become null and void if the transfer of the licenses was not consummated by December 31, 1997, unless on application and for good cause shown, such date was extended by the Commission.

By letter dated November 21, 1997, BGE submitted a request for an extension of the effectiveness of the Order of October 18, 1996, such that approval of the transfer would remain effective until December 31, 1998. According to this submittal, all of the necessary regulatory approvals had been obtained to permit the consummation of the merger between BGE and Potomac Electric Power Company, resulting in Constellation Energy Corporation. BGE asserted, however, that the Maryland and District of Columbia Public Service Commissions attached conditions to their approvals that were inconsistent with the respective merger approval applications. The companies proposing to merge filed joint requests with the Maryland and District of Columbia Commissions for rehearing of their original orders approving the merger. According to BGE, an intervenor in the Maryland case appealed the Maryland Commission's Order approving the merger to the Circuit Court in Baltimore County, and this appeal delayed the expected merger process. On December 17, 1997, the Commission issued an Order providing that the effectiveness of the Order of October 18, 1996, approving the transfer of the licenses described herein was extended such that if the subject transfer of licenses was not consummated by December 31, 1998, the Order of October 18, 1996, would become null and void.

By letter dated January 30, 1998, however, BGE informed the NRC that on December 18, 1997, BGE and the Potomac Electric Power Company

(PEPCO) mutually agreed to terminate the proposed merger. In addition, BGE and PEPCO requested, in light of the termination of the merger, that approval of the transfer of licenses be canceled.

III

Upon consideration of BGE's letter dated January 30, 1998, and the termination of the proposed merger, the Commission has determined that the approval of the transfer of the licenses for Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, and the ISFSI, should be withdrawn. Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b and 161i of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2201(b) and 2201(i), it is hereby ordered that the approval of the transfer of the licenses described herein is immediately withdrawn, and the Orders dated October 18, 1996, and December 19, 1997 are null and void.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details, with respect to this action, see the letter dated January 30, 1998, from BGE 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 Calvert County Library, Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of April 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

Carl J. Paperiello,

Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-244]

Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DRP-18 issued to Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (the licensee) for operation of the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant located in Wayne County, New York.