

memorandum for the schedule, it too includes information about the records. Further information about the disposition process is available on request.

Schedules Pending

1. *Department of Energy, Agency-wide (N1-434-98-21, 59 items, 53 temporary items)*. Routine security, emergency planning, and safety records. Files proposed for disposal relate to such matters as classified document control, declassification operations, security alarms and access control systems, safeguards and security agreements and plans, surveys and inspections, security training, visitor access approval, security clearances, nondisclosure agreements, and emergency planning. Policy documents for the Declassification Program, Operations Security Program, and Access Authorization Program are proposed for permanent retention. Records that document exposure to ionizing radiation or other hazardous materials as well as training in the safe handling of these materials will be retained for 75 years.

2. *Department of Energy, Agency-wide (N1-434-98-19, 16 items, 14 temporary items)*. Routine administrative management records. Files relate to such matters as management improvement programs, performance indicators, baseline management, and management control. Issuances documenting substantive functions and correspondence files documenting the development of plans and policies are proposed for permanent retention.

3. *Department of Energy, Agency-wide (N1-434-98-4, 29 items, 29 temporary items)*. Routine personnel records. Files relate to such matters as position classification, employee health, employee training, treatment and investigation of on-the-job injuries, implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act, educational outreach activities, apprenticeship programs, tuition reimbursement for agency employees, postings of vacancies, promotional materials used for recruitment, the testing of job applicants, and labor-management relations. Records that document exposure to ionizing radiation or other hazardous materials as well as training in the safe handling of these materials will be retained for 75 years.

4. *Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service (N1-473-98-2, 11 items, 11 temporary items)*. Records created by several offices within the Minerals Management Service, including Environmental Analysis Files, Financial Responsibility

Files, Gas Meter Reports, Applications for Deepwater Royalty Relief Files, and End-of-Life Royalty Relief Applications.

5. *Department of the Interior, Minerals Management Service (N1-473-98-1, 1 item, 1 temporary item)*. Reduction in retention period for Lease Sale Activity History Files, which were previously approved for disposal. These records provide general information regarding each lease sale from block selection phase through the acceptance or rejection phase of bids.

6. *Department of the Navy, Marine Corps, Agency-wide (N1-NU-98-6, 3 items, 3 temporary items)*. Leave records accumulated by members of the Marine Corps while awaiting punitive separation through dismissal, dishonorable discharge, or bad-conduct discharge.

7. *Department of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Office of Passport Policy and Advisory Services (N1-59-98-3, 1 item, 1 temporary item)*. E-mail messages regarding the status of passport applications and requests for expedited service.

8. *Department of the Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (N1-436-97-4, 4 items, 2 temporary items)*. Hard copy inputs and outputs for an electronic system relating to explosives incidents. System master file and system documentation are proposed for permanent retention.

9. *Civil Liberties Public Education Fund (N1-220-98-8, 11 items, 5 temporary items)*. News clippings of Fund-related activities, proof sets and negatives for conferences and panel discussions, routine correspondence, electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications, and nonfunded grant applications are proposed for disposal. Substantive program records, including meeting transcripts and correspondence, are proposed for permanent retention.

10. *Federal Communications Commission, Mass Media Bureau (N1-173-98-3, 1 item, 1 temporary item)*. Reduction in retention period for Dismissed Broadcast Applications, which were previously approved for disposal. The files consist of the original application, official correspondence, and supporting information.

Dated: July 22, 1998.

Michael J. Kurtz,

Assistant Archivist for Record Services—Washington, DC.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-445]

TU Electric; Comanche Peak; Confirmatory Order Modifying License, Effective Immediately

I

TU Electric, (the Licensee) is the holder of Facility Operating License No. NPF-87, which authorizes operation of Comanche Peak, Unit 1 located in, Somervell County, TX.

II

The staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has been concerned that Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barrier systems installed by licensees may not provide the level of fire endurance intended and that licensees that use Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barriers may not be meeting regulatory requirements. During the 1992 to 1994 timeframe, the NRC staff issued Generic Letter (GL) 92-08, "Thermo-Lag 330-1 Fire Barriers" and subsequent requests for additional information that requested licensees to submit plans and schedules for resolving the Thermo-Lag issue. The NRC staff has obtained and reviewed all licensees' corrective plans and schedules. The staff is concerned that some licensees may not be making adequate progress toward resolving the plant-specific issues, and that some implementation schedules may be either too tenuous or too protracted. For example, several licensees informed the NRC staff that their completion dates had slipped by 6 months to as much as 3 years. For plants that have completion action scheduled beyond 1997, the NRC staff has met with these licensees to discuss the progress of the licensees' corrective actions and the extent of licensee management attention regarding completion of Thermo-Lag corrective actions. The discussions with TU Electric, to resolve Thermo-Lag corrective actions have been numerous. In addition to telephone conversations and letter responses, two public meetings were held, the first on December 5, 1996, at the Region IV Office in Arlington, Texas and the second on November 12, 1997, at the NRC Headquarters Office in Rockville, Maryland.

Based on the information submitted by TU Electric, the NRC staff has concluded that the schedules presented by TU Electric are reasonable. This conclusion is based on (1) the amount of installed Thermo-Lag, (2) the complexity of the plant-specific fire barrier configurations and issues, (3) the

need to perform certain plant modifications during outages as opposed to those that can be performed while the plant is at power, and (4) integration with other significant but unrelated issues that TU Electric is addressing at its plant. In order to remove compensatory measures such as fire watches, it has been determined that resolution of the Thermo-Lag corrective actions by TU Electric must be completed in accordance with current TU Electric schedules. By letter dated May 20, 1998, the NRC staff notified TU Electric of its plan to incorporate TU Electric's schedule commitment into a requirement by issuance of an order and requested consent from the Licensee. By letter dated June 2, 1998, the Licensee provided its consent to issuance of a Confirmatory Order.

III

The Licensee's commitment as set forth in its letter of June 2, 1998, is acceptable and is necessary for the NRC to conclude that public health and safety are reasonably assured. To preclude any schedule slippage and to assure public health and safety, the NRC staff has determined that the Licensee's commitment in its June 2, 1998, letter be confirmed by this Order. The Licensee has agreed to this action. Based on the above, and the Licensee's consent, this Order is immediately effective upon issuance.

IV

Accordingly, pursuant to sections 103, 161b, 161i, 161o, 182, and 186 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 2.202 and 10 CFR Part 50, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

TU Electric shall complete final implementation of Thermo-Lag 330-1 fire barrier corrective actions at Comanche Peak, Unit 1, described in TU Electric submittals to the NRC dated April 9 and May 1, 1998, by December 31, 1998.

The Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, may relax or rescind, in writing, any provisions of this Confirmatory Order upon a showing by the Licensee of good cause.

V

Any person adversely affected by this Confirmatory Order, other than the Licensee, may request a hearing within 20 days of its issuance. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the time to request a hearing. A request for extension of time must be made in writing to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation,

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555 and include a statement of good cause for the extension. Any request for a hearing shall be submitted to the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, Washington, D.C. 20555. Copies of the hearing request shall also be sent to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, to the Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Enforcement at the same address, to the Regional Administrator, NRC Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas, 76011 and to the Licensee. If such a person requests a hearing, that person shall set forth with particularity the manner in which his/her interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.714(d).

If a hearing is requested by a person whose interest is adversely affected, the Commission will issue an Order designating the time and place of any such hearing. If a hearing is held, the issue to be considered at such hearing shall be whether this Confirmatory Order should be sustained.

In the absence of any request for hearing, or written approval of an extension of time in which to request a hearing, the provisions specified in Section IV above shall be final 20 days from the date of this Order without further order or proceedings. If an extension of time for requesting a hearing has been approved, the provisions specified in Section IV shall be final when the extension expires if a hearing request has not been received. An answer or a request for hearing shall not stay the immediate effectiveness of this Order.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 28 day of July 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Samuel J. Collins,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, Subcommittee Meeting on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Reliability and Probabilistic Risk Assessment will hold a meeting on

August 26, 1998, Room T-2B3, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for the subject meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, August 26, 1998—10:00 a.m. until the conclusion of business

The Subcommittee will discuss issues in the Staff Requirements Memorandum dated April 20, 1998, regarding situation-specific cases where probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) results and insights have improved the existing regulatory system and specific areas in which PRA, when applied properly, can have a positive impact on the regulatory system. The purpose of this meeting is to gather information, analyze relevant issues and facts, and to formulate proposed positions and actions, as appropriate, for deliberation by the full Committee.

Oral statements may be presented by members of the public with the concurrence of the Subcommittee Chairman; written statements will be accepted and made available to the Committee. Electronic recordings will be permitted only during those portions of the meeting that are open to the public, and questions may be asked only by members of the Subcommittee, its consultants, and staff. Persons desiring to make oral statements should notify the cognizant ACRS staff engineer named below five days prior to the meeting, if possible, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

During the initial portion of the meeting, the Subcommittee, along with any of its consultants who may be present, may exchange preliminary views regarding matters to be considered during the balance of the meeting.

The Subcommittee will then hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff, its consultants, and other interested persons regarding this review.

Further information regarding topics to be discussed, whether the meeting has been canceled or rescheduled, and the Chairman's ruling on requests for the opportunity to present oral statements and the time allotted therefor can be obtained by contacting the cognizant ACRS staff engineer, Mr. Michael T. Markley (telephone 301/415-6885) between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. (EDT). Persons planning to attend this meeting are urged to contact the above named individual one or two working days prior to the meeting to be advised of any potential changes to the agenda, etc., that may have occurred.