

under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act would be improperly disclosed.

Dated: August 3, 1998.

**M. Rebecca Winkler,**  
*Committee Management Officer.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-298]

### Nebraska Public Power District (Cooper Nuclear Station); Notice of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Commission) has issued Amendment No. 178 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-46, issued to Nebraska Public Power District (licensee) for operation of the Cooper Nuclear Station located in Nemaha County, Nebraska.

The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance.

The amendment replaces, in its entirety, the current Technical Specifications (TS) with a set of improved TS based on NUREG-1433, "Standard Technical Specifications, General Electric Plants, BWR/4," Revision 1, dated April 1995, and on guidance provided in the Commission's "Final Policy Statement on Technical Specifications Improvements for Nuclear Power Reactors," published on July 22, 1993 (58 FR 39132), and 10 CFR 50.36, as amended July 19, 1995 (60 FR 36953). In addition, the amendment adds two license conditions to the newly-created Appendix C of the operating license that require (1) the relocation of previous TS requirements into licensee-controlled documents and (2) the first performance of new and revised surveillance requirements for the new improved TS to be related to the implementation date for the improved TS. The implementation of the amendment and the license conditions will be completed no later than 90 days after the date of the amendment, as stated in the amendment.

The application for the amendment, as supplemented, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I.

Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment and Opportunity for

Hearing in connection with this action was published in the **Federal Register** on March 17, 1998 (63 FR 13074). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following this notice.

The Commission has prepared an Environmental Assessment and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement related to the action to convert the current TS to the improved TS. Based on the Environmental Assessment, the Commission has concluded that the issuance of the amendment will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment beyond that described in the Final Environmental Statement (FES) related to the operation of the CNS dated February 1973. The Environmental Assessment was published in the **Federal Register** on July 29, 1998 (63 FR 40549).

For further details with respect to the amendment see (1) the application for amendment dated March 27, 1997, as supplemented by (a) two letters in 1997 dated September 29 and December 22, and (6) 9 letters in 1998 dated February 9, March 13, March 26, April 16, May 6, June 23, and July 13 (two letters), July 29, and (2) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation and Environmental Assessment. All of these items 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 local public document room located at the Auburn Memorial Library, 1810 Courthouse Avenue, Auburn, Nebraska 68305.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 31st day of July 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-423]

### Northeast Nuclear Energy Company; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted a request by Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (the licensee) to withdraw its November 21, 1995, application for an amendment to

Facility Operating License No. NPF-49, issued to the licensee for operation of Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, located in New London County, Connecticut. A Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was published in the **Federal Register** on March 27, 1996 (61 FR 13520).

The proposed change would have modified the facility Technical Specifications (TSs) pertaining to TS Section 1.33 and Bases Sections 3/4.3.3.9, 3/4.3.3.10, and 3/4.11.2.1. The change would have clarified the definition of source check to include a source check from a light emitting diode, as well as from ionizing radiation.

Subsequently, the licensee informed the staff that the amendment is no longer required. Thus, the amendment application is considered to be withdrawn by the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated November 21, 1995; and (2) the staff's letters dated July 14, 1998, and July 30, 1998.

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W., Washington, DC, and at the local public document rooms located at the Learning Resources Center, Three Rivers Community-Technical College, 574 New London Turnpike, Norwich, Connecticut, and the Waterford Library, ATTN: Vince Juliano, 49 Rope Ferry Road, Waterford, Connecticut.

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

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## PACIFIC NORTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER AND CONSERVATION PLANNING COUNCIL

### Northwest Conservation and Electric Power Plan

**AGENCY:** Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council (Northwest Power Planning Council, Council).

**ACTION:** Notice of final action adopting Fourth Northwest Conservation and Electric Power Plan.

**SUMMARY:** Following the mandate set out in the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act of 1980