The amendment documents for COLs, NPF–91 and NPF–92 are available in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML19361A103 and ML19361A115, respectively. A summary of the amendment documents is provided in Section III of this document.

II. Exemption

Reproduced below is the exemption document issued to VEGP Units 3 and Unit 4. It makes reference to the combined safety evaluation that provides the reasoning for the findings made by the NRC (and listed under Item 1) in order to grant the exemption:

1. In a letter dated July 16, 2019, as supplemented by letters dated October 3, and December 12, 2019, Southern Nuclear Operating Company requested from the Commission an exemption to allow departures from Tier 1 information in the certified DCD incorporated by reference in 10 CFR part 52, appendix D, as part of license amendment request 19–003, “Addition of In-Containment Refueling Water Storage Tank to Radiation Analyses.”

For the reasons set forth in Section 3.2 of the NRC staff’s Safety Evaluation, which can be found in ADAMS under Accession No. ML19361A118, the Commission finds that:

A. The exemption is authorized by law;
B. the exemption presents no undue risk to public health and safety;
C. the exemption is consistent with the common defense and security;
D. special circumstances are present in that the application of the rule in this circumstance is not necessary to serve the underlying purpose of the rule;
E. the special circumstances outweigh any decrease in safety that may result from the reduction in standardization caused by the exemption; and
F. the exemption will not result in a significant decrease in the level of safety otherwise provided by the design.

2. Accordingly, SNC is granted an exemption from the certified DCD Tier 1 information, with corresponding changes to Appendix C of the Facility Combined License, as described in the request dated July 16, 2019, as supplemented by letters dated October 3, and December 12, 2019. This exemption is related to, and necessary for the granting of License Amendment No. 173 [for Unit 3, 171 for Unit 4], which is being issued concurrently with this exemption.

3. As explained in Section 5.0 of the NRC staff’s Safety Evaluation (ADAMS Accession No. ML19361A118), this exemption meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment needs to be prepared in connection with the issuance of the exemption.

4. This exemption is effective as of the date of its issuance.

III. License Amendment Request

By letter dated July 16, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19197A278), as supplemented by letters dated October 3, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19276E437), and December 12, 2019 (ADAMS Accession No. ML19346E598), SNC requested that the NRC amend the COLs for VEGP, Units 3 and 4, COLs, NPF–91 and NPF–92. The proposed amendment is described in Section I of this notice.

The Commission has determined for these amendments that the application complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission’s rules and regulations.

A notice of consideration of issuance of amendment to facility operating license or COL, as applicable, proposed no significant hazards consideration determination, and opportunity for a hearing in connection with these actions, was published in the Federal Register on October 8, 2019 (84 FR 53777). No comments were received during the 30-day comment period.

The Commission has determined that these amendments satisfy the criteria for categorical exclusion in accordance with 10 CFR 51.22. Therefore, pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared for these amendments.

IV. Conclusion

Using the reasons set forth in the combined safety evaluation, the staff granted the exemptions and issued the amendments that SNC requested on July 16, 2019. The exemptions and amendments were issued on January 13, 2020, as part of a combined package to SNC (ADAMS Accession No. ML19361A114).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of January 2020.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Victor E. Hall,
Chief, Vogtle Project Office, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

A. Obtaining Information and Submitting Comments

Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2019–0171 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this
action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- NRC’s Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html. To begin the search, select “Begin Web-based ADAMS Search.” For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC’s Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The supporting statement and burden spreadsheet are available in ADAMS under Accession Nos. ML19305D154 and ML19311C796.
- NRC’s PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC’s PDR, Room 01–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.
- NRC’s Clearance Officer: A copy of the collection of information and related instructions may be obtained without charge by contacting NRC’s Clearance Officer, David Cullison, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555–0001; telephone: 301–415–2804; email: Infocollects.Resource@nrc.gov.

B. Submitting Comments

Please include Docket ID NRC–2019–0171 in the subject line of your comment submission, to ensure that the NRC can make your comment submission available to the public in this docket.

The NRC cautions you not to include identifying or contact information in comment submissions that you do not want to be publicly disclosed in your comment submission. The NRC will post all comment submissions at http://www.regulations.gov as well as enter the comment submissions into ADAMS, and the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove identifying or contact information.

If you are requesting or aggregating comments from other persons for submission to the NRC, then you should inform those persons not to include identifying or contact information that they do not want to be publicly disclosed in their comment submission. Your request should state that the NRC does not routinely edit comment submissions to remove such information before making the comment submissions available to the public or entering the comment into ADAMS.

II. Background

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the NRC is requesting public comment on its intention to request the OMB’s approval for the information collection summarized below.

2. OMB approval number: 3150–0007.
3. Type of submission: Extension.
4. The form number, if applicable: N/A.
5. How often the collection is required or requested: Applications for new licenses and amendments may be submitted at any time (on occasion). Applications for renewal are submitted every 15 years. Reports are submitted as events occur.
6. Who will be required or asked to respond: Applicants for and holders of specific licenses authorizing the use of licensed radioactive material for radiography.
7. The estimated number of annual responses: 3,291.
8. The estimated number of annual respondents: 607.
9. The estimated number of hours needed annually to comply with the information collection requirement or request: 270,760 (5,213.5 reporting + 241,448.9 recordkeeping + 24,097.9 third party disclosure).
10. Abstract: Part 34 of title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR), establishes radiation safety requirements for the use of radioactive material in industrial radiography. The information in the applications, reports and records is used by the NRC staff to ensure that the health and safety of the public is protected and that licensee possession and use of source and byproduct material is following license and regulatory requirements.

III. Specific Requests for Comments

The NRC is seeking comments that address the following questions:

1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
2. Is the estimate of the burden of the information collection accurate?
3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

4. How can the burden of the information collection on respondents be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of January, 2020.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David C. Cullison,
NRC Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Civil Service Retirement System Board of Actuaries Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Civil Service Retirement System Board of Actuaries plans to meet on Thursday, April 2, 2020. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. EDT and will be held at the U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM), 1900 E Street NW, Room 3468, Washington, DC 20415.

The purpose of the meeting is for the Board to review the actuarial methods and assumptions used in the valuations of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund (CSRDF).

Agenda

1. Summary of recent legislative proposals.
2. Review of actuarial assumptions.
3. CSRDF Annual Report.

Persons desiring to attend this meeting of the Civil Service Retirement System Board of Actuaries, or to make a statement for consideration at the meeting, should contact OPM at least 5 business days in advance of the meeting date at the address shown below. Any detailed information or analysis requested for the Board to consider should be submitted at least 15 business days in advance of the meeting date. The manner and time for any material presented to or considered by the Board may be limited.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Gregory Kissel, Senior Actuary for Pension Programs, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW, Room 4316, Washington, DC 20415. Phone (202) 606–0722 or email at actuary@opm.gov.