

corresponds to approximately 52 megawatts-electrical (MWe). This would provide additional electrical power to the grids which service the commercial and residential areas of the distribution utility.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

A slight change in the environmental impact can be expected for an increase in plant power level, but the effects were found to be minimal and did not alter the findings stated in NUREG-0812, "Final Environmental Statement Related to Operation of Nuclear Project No. 2" (FES), December 1981.

The proposed core uprating is projected to increase the rejected heat by approximately 5 percent. However, the thermal discharges from the circulating and service water systems remain bounded by the values evaluated in the FES. Thus, the 5 percent increase in rejected heat has been evaluated and determined not to significantly impact on the quality of the human environment.

The licensing basis analyses related to radiological source terms were originally performed assuming a core power of 3486 MWt which corresponds to the proposed rerate conditions. The NRC review of these calculations was documented in NUREG-0892, "Safety Evaluation Report Related to the Operation of Nuclear Project No. 2." Additional assessments by the licensee related to the rerated conditions (power level and reactor coolant temperature) and other changes related to plant operation determined there would be no significant increase in the potential radioactive releases resulting from plant operation or design basis reactor accidents. In addition, no significant increases in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure would result from the proposed changes in operating conditions. Also, he proposed increase in the NSSS power involves no significant change in the amount of any non-radiological effluents that may be released offsite compared to those evaluated and approved in the FES.

Therefore, the Commission concludes that there is no significant radiological or non-radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendment.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission has concluded there is no measurable environmental impact associated with the proposed action, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered

denial of the proposed action. Denial of the amendment would not significantly reduce the environmental impact of plant operation and would restrict operation of the Nuclear Project No. 2 to the currently licensed power level, thereby reducing operational flexibility.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the Nuclear Project No. 2.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

By letter of September 26, 1994, Mr. Jason J. Zeller of the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council of the State of Washington informed the staff that the State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated July 9, 1993, as supplemented by letters dated October 9, and October 25, 1993, January 6, January 6, February 2, May 3, May 13, September 26, and October 12, 1994, which are 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 Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Street, Richland, Washington 99352.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 28th day of April 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission,

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Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste; Notice of Meeting

The Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW) will hold its 74th meeting on May 10, 1995, in Room T-2B3 and May 11, 1995, in Room T-2B1, at 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance.

The agenda for this meeting shall be as follows:

Wednesday, May 10, 1995—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. and Thursday, May 11, 1995—8:30 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

During this meeting the Committee plans to consider the following:

A. *NRC staff Position on Substantially Complete Containment*—The Committee will review the NRC staff position on the meaning of substantially complete containment as used in the Commission's regulations for the disposal of high-level radioactive wastes in geologic repositories.

B. *Electronic Data Transfer*—Representatives from the U.S. Department of Energy will discuss the electronic transfer of site characterization data from the DOE to the NRC and Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses staffs.

C. *Meeting with the Director, NRC's Division of Waste Management, Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards*—The Director will provide information to the Committee on current waste management issues, which may include the progress of site characterization at the proposed Yucca Mountain site and a preview of the NRC staff's review strategy for DOE seismic hazard analysis.

D. *National Performance Review Phase 2*—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with the NRC staff on initiatives to streamline the Federal government and regulatory process.

E. *Preparation of ACNW Reports*—The Committee will discuss proposed reports on the Approach to Groundwater Travel Time at Yucca Mountain and comments on a low-level waste branch technical position on performance assessment. Additional topics will be considered as time permits.

F. *Committee Activities/Future Agenda*—The Committee will consider topics proposed for future consideration by the full Committee and Working Groups. The Committee will also discuss ACNW-related activities of individual members.

G. *Miscellaneous*—The Committee will discuss miscellaneous matters related to the conduct of Committee activities and organizational activities and complete discussion of matters and specific issues that were not completed during previous meetings, as time and availability of information permit.

Procedures for the conduct of and participation in ACNW meetings were published in the **Federal Register** on October 7, 1994 (59 FR 51219). In accordance with these procedures, oral or written statements may be presented by members of the public, electronic