

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that the NRC's FES is valid for operation at the proposed uprated power conditions for LGS, Units 1 and 2. The staff also concluded that the plant operating parameters impacted by the proposed uprate would remain within the bounding conditions on which the conclusions of the FES are based.

The change will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released offsite, and there is no significant increase in the allowable individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure.

The NRC staff finds the radiological and nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed small increase in power are very small and do not change the conclusion in the FES that the operation of LGS, Units 1 and 2, would cause no significant adverse impact upon the quality of the human environment.

Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

#### *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.

The principal alternative to the action would be to deny the request. Such action would not significantly reduce the environmental impact of plant operation but would restrict operation of LGS, Units 1 and 2 to the currently licensed power level and prevent the facility from generating approximately 60 MWe (165 MWt) additional that is obtainable from the existing plant design.

#### *Alternative Use of Resources*

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the "Final Environmental Statement related to the operation of Limerick Generating Station, Units 1 and 2," dated April 1984.

#### *Agencies and Persons Consulted*

In accordance with its stated policy, the staff consulted with the Bureau of Radiation Protection, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. 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 December 9, 1993, as supplemented by letters dated July 5, September 9, October 19, and November 19, 1994, and January 6, and January 23, 1995, 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 Pottstown Public Library, 500 High Street, Pottstown, PA 19464.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 7th day of February 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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#### **Draft NUREG: Issuance, Availability**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued a draft report entitled, "Management of Radioactive Material Safety Programs at Medical Facilities" (NUREG-1516). This draft report, prepared by NRC staff and two representatives of Agreement States, is available for review and comment.

The draft report describes a systematic approach for effectively managing radiation safety programs at medical facilities. This is accomplished by defining and emphasizing the roles of an institution's executive management, radiation safety officer (RSO), and radiation safety committee, if required. Various aspects of program management are discussed and guidance is offered on selecting the RSO, determining adequate program resources, using contractual services such as consultants and service companies, conducting program audits, and clarifying the roles of physician authorized users and supervised individuals. NRC's reporting and notification requirements are outlined and a general description is given of how NRC's licensing, inspection, and enforcement programs work. There are 19 appendices that present detailed information on specific aspects of program management and include an

annotated bibliography prepared by the Radiological Sciences Division of Brookhaven National Laboratory.

This report presents regulatory guidance. It does not describe new or proposed regulations, and licensees are not required to adhere to its principles. Any discussion or specific information that implies a new or proposed regulatory requirement does so unintentionally. Rather, this should be viewed as a practical guide to present a management approach and describe management tools which regulatory agencies have observed to be effective when managing a radiation safety program at a medical facility. Even though the radiation safety principles and practices in NUREG-1516 are directed towards the safe use of byproduct material, they have universal applicability and may be used by the RSO and other responsible individuals to manage the safe use of other sources of radiation for medical use not specifically addressed in this report.

Comments and suggestions on the Draft NUREG-1516 should be sent to the Chief, Rules Review and Directives Branch, Division of Freedom of Information and Publications Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001. Hand deliver comments to 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Federal workdays. Copies of the comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room at 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC. Submit comments on this draft report by December 31, 1995. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the Commission is able to assure consideration only for those comments received by this date.

Copies of draft NUREG-1516 may be obtained by written request or telefax (301-504-2260) from Distribution Services, Printing and Mail Services Branch, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

For further information contact Janet Schlueter, Division of Industrial and Medical Nuclear Safety, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Mail Stop, T-8F5, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone (301) 415-7894.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of January 1995.