

October 18, 2001

Mr. Harold W. Keiser  
Chief Nuclear Officer & President  
PSEG Nuclear LLC-X04  
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SUBJECT: HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION - ISSUANCE OF CONFORMING  
AMENDMENT RE: TRANSFER OF LICENSE TO THE EXTENT HELD BY  
ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY, TO PSEG NUCLEAR LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY (TAC NO. MB3112)

Dear Mr. Keiser:

By Order dated April 21, 2000, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approved the transfer of the license for the Hope Creek Generating Station (HCGS), to the extent held by Atlantic City Electric Company (ACE), to PSEG Nuclear Limited Liability Company (PSEG Nuclear LLC) and approved the conforming amendment pursuant to Sections 50.80 and 50.90 of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations*.

The April 21, 2000, Order was based in part on the premise that the ACE interests would be transferred to PSEG Nuclear LLC by December 31, 2000. However, in a letter dated October 10, 2000, PSEG Nuclear LLC asked that the effectiveness of the Order be extended to December 31, 2001, due to delays in receiving other regulatory approvals. By Order dated December 19, 2000, the NRC extended the effectiveness of the Order dated April 21, 2000, from December 31, 2000, to December 31, 2001.

By letter dated October 10, 2001, PSEG Nuclear LLC notified the NRC that the closing of the license transfer is anticipated to occur on October 18, 2001, and that all required regulatory approvals have been obtained.

Accordingly, the Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 135 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-57 for HCGS. The conforming amendment reflects the transfer of ACE's ownership of HCGS to PSEG Nuclear LLC. The safety evaluation supporting the conforming amendment was enclosed with the Order issued on April 21, 2000.

Please note that the same Indemnity Agreement applies to HCGS and Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 (Salem). As such, the Indemnity Agreement has been forwarded to you with the Salem conforming amendments only.

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Sincerely,

**/RA/**

Richard B. Ennis, Project Manager, Section 2  
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Docket No. 50-354

Enclosure: Amendment No. 135 to  
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ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC COMPANY  
DOCKET NO. 50-354  
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION  
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 135  
License No. NPF-57

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment filed by the Public Service Electric & Gas Company dated December 20, 1999, as supplemented February 11, February 25, and October 10, 2000, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance: (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
2. Accordingly, the license is amended as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment.

3. The license amendment is effective as of its date of issuance, and shall be implemented within 30 days from the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

**/RA/**

Brian W. Sheron, Acting Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Attachment: Changes to License No. NPF-57 and  
Appendix C to the License

Date of Issuance: October 18, 2001

ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 135

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-57

DOCKET NO. 50-354

Replace the following pages of the Facility Operating License and Appendix C Additional Conditions with the following attached revised pages. The revised pages are identified by Amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the areas of change.

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License, page 6  
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