

September 15, 2003

Mr. Garry L. Randolph  
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SUBJECT: CALLAWAY PLANT, UNIT 1 - WITHDRAWAL OF STEAM GENERATOR  
(SG) TUBE SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST  
(LAR) (TAC NO. MB6478)

Dear Mr. Randolph:

In your letter dated October 3, 2002 (ULNRC-04745), you proposed a license amendment to revise the definition of SG tube inspections in Technical Specification (TS) 5.5.9, "Steam Generator (SG) Tube Surveillance Program." In the supplemental letter dated June 5, 2003 (ULNRC-04861), you submitted responses to a request for additional information (RAI) from the staff on its review of the application. There were also several telephone calls to discuss the application with your staff before the RAI was issued in the letter dated February 4, 2003.

For the three proprietary Westinghouse topical reports that were submitted in the above two letters, the staff agreed to withhold the designated proprietary information in its letters of November 4, 2002, and July 16, 2003, to Mr. H. A. Sepp, Manager, of Westinghouse Electric Company.

In your RAI response letter of June 5, 2003, you stated that "since the treatment of [SG] tube inspections in plant technical specifications has become a generic industry issue we propose that this amendment request be held until generic technical specification language has been developed and accepted. We will provide a follow-up submittal to update the Callaway Technical Specification at that time." The staff also recently issued a draft Generic Letter (GL) 2003-XX, "Requirements for Steam Generator Tube Inspections," in the *Federal Register* (68 FR 25909) for public comment, which addresses this issue.

In discussing with your staff the merits of (1) the staff placing this LAR on hold until you re-submit a new LAR versus (2) you withdrawing the LAR and then re-submitting a new LAR, it was concluded that it would be better to have the current LAR application dated October 3, 2002, withdrawn. Later, you can re-submit a new TS 5.5.9 LAR, or a different SG tube surveillance LAR, once the "generic technical specification language" has been worked out. In that new LAR, you would be able to reference information in the topical reports and RAI responses that were submitted in the letters of October 3, 2002, and June 5, 2003. Based on this, we are terminating our review of your application dated October 3, 2002, and closing out the subject TAC.

Garry L. Randolph

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If you disagree with what is being proposed, please inform us by letter within 10 days of the receipt of this letter; otherwise, the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License will be forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

If you have any questions about this letter, contact me at 301-415-1307, or by internet at [jnd@nrc.gov](mailto:jnd@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

**/RA/**

Jack Donohew, Senior Project Manager, Section 2  
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If you disagree with what has been done, inform us by letter within 15 days of the receipt of this letter. If you have any questions about this letter, contact me at 301-415-1307, or by internet at [jnd@nrc.gov](mailto:jnd@nrc.gov).

Sincerely,

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DOCKET NO. 50-483

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR  
AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Union Electric Company (the licensee) to withdraw its application dated October 3, 2002, as supplemented by letter dated June 5, 2003, for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-30 for the Callaway Plant, Unit 1, located in Callaway County, Missouri.

The proposed amendment would have revised the definition of steam generator (SG) tube inspection in Technical Specification 5.5.9, "Steam Generator (SG) Tube Surveillance Program." The amendment would add a requirement for using the rotating pancake coil (RPC) to the H\* depth in the tubesheet.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on October 18, 2002 (67 FR 64422). However, as stated in the staff's letter dated September 15, 2003, the licensee has agreed to withdraw the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated October 3, 2002, as supplemented by the licensee's letter dated June 5, 2003, and the staff's letter dated September 15, 2003. Documents may be examined, and/or copied for a fee, at the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, Public File Area O1 F21, 11555 Rockville Pike (first floor), Rockville, Maryland. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) Public Electronic Reading Room on the internet at the NRC Web site,

<http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams/html>. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC PDR Reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737 or by email to [pdr@nrc.gov](mailto:pdr@nrc.gov).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 15th day of September 2003.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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