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March 14, 1978
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Mr. R. A. Hartfield, Acting Director
Office of Management Information & Program Control
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D. C. 20555

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1 (TMI-1)
Operating License No. DPR-50
Docket No. 50-289



Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of the completed Refueling Information Request for Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1.

Sincerely,

J. G. Herbein
Vice President-Generation

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REFUELING INFORMATION REQUEST

1. Name of Facility: Three Mile Island Unit No. 1
2. Scheduled date for next refueling shutdown: March 17, 1978
3. Scheduled date for restart following refueling:
May 15, 1978 for Reactor Criticality (tentative)
4. Will refueling or resumption of operation thereafter require a technical specification change or other license amendment?

Yes

If answer is yes, what, in general, will these be?

The Technical Specification change for Cycle 4 will provide revised operational limits for rod withdrawal index and Power Imbalance. Also the Core Protection Safety Limits and the Protection System Maximum Allowable Setpoints for Reactor Power Imbalance have been slightly revised. The quadrant power tilt limit will be changed from a maximum actual core tilt of 3.41% to 4.92%.

If answer is no, has the reload fuel design and core configuration been reviewed by your Plant Safety Review Committee to determine whether any unreviewed safety questions are associated with the core reload (Ref. 10 CFR Section 50.59)?

N/A

If no such review has taken place, when is it scheduled?

N/A

5. Scheduled date(s) for submitting proposed licensing action and supporting information.

Technical Specification Change Request #70 was submitted to the NRC on 1/9/78.

6. Important licensing considerations associated with refueling, e.g., new or different fuel design or supplier, unreviewed design or performance analysis methods, significant changes in fuel design, new operating procedures.

There are no important licensing considerations associated with Cycle 4 operation. TMI-1 will change from a rodged to a feed-bleed mode of operation for Cycle 4. This change is not regarded as a major change in the operating mode since TMI-1 was operated in essentially a rods-out configuration during the latter part of Cycle 1 and Cycle 3.

7. The number of fuel assemblies (a) in the core and (b) in the spent fuel storage pool.

(a) 177 (b) 104 (start of 1978 refueling outage)

8. The present licensed spent fuel pool storage capacity and the size of any increase in licensed storage capacity that has been requested or is planned, in number of fuel assemblies.

Recently licensed for 752 fuel assemblies storage locations in the A&B spent fuel pools. 496 location B pool racks to be installed starting in February 1978.

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9. The projected date of the last refueling that can be discharged to the spent fuel pool assuming the present licensed capacity.

1986 is last refueling discharge which allows full core off-load capacity (177 fuel assemblies).

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