



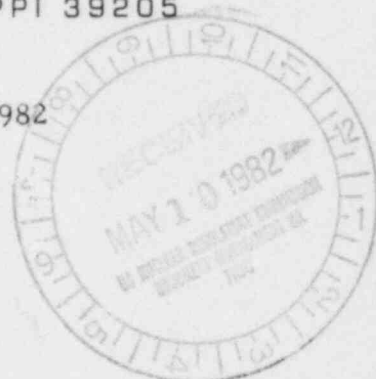
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May 4, 1982



Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station
Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-416 and 50-417
File 0260/L-860.0
Requested Changes to
Operating License Format
AECM-82/202

Dear Mr. Denton:

As you know, the Grand Gulf Unit 1 will soon be ready for the issuance of an operating license. We have two requests for changes in the format for the license which are designed to simplify the procedure. The Commission has already used one of these changes in the La Salle case.

It, of course, relates to the issuance of the operating license for a period of 40 years from the date of issuance of the operating license itself. Our application now requests a 40-year license. We request that the same provisions for the term of license be used for Grand Gulf.

Our other request relates to power level. Currently the Commission has authorized only the initial issuance of a license for 5% of rated power. At such time as the Commissioners have completed their review of the application and the Staff analyses, a full power license is then issued.

In our view, it would save a great deal of unnecessary work if the condition in the license were written so as to permit full power operation automatically after the Commission had acted. We suggest language somewhat as follows:

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"Mississippi Power & Light Company ("MP&L") is authorized to operate the facility at reactor core power levels not in excess of 3833 MWt; provided, however, that it shall not operate the facility in excess of 5 percent of full power (191.65 MWt) until the Commissioners have conducted their review of the application and authorized such full power operation."

This change would eliminate the need for a second licensing "package" and Federal Register notice as is followed under the current practice.

It appears that the Commission may have contemplated this approach in its Policy Statement, "Commission Review Procedures for Power Reactor Operating Licenses; Immediate Effectiveness Rule," 46 F.R. 47764, at 47765. As the Commission pointed out, this approach eliminates the need for preparing two separate license documents and has no substantive effect on the activities authorized.

We will appreciate any consideration given to these requests.

Sincerely,



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