

GPU NUCLEAR CORPORATION  
OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

Facility Operating  
License No. DPR-16

Technical Specification Change Request No. 247  
Docket No. 50-219

Applicant submits, by this Technical Specification Change Request No. 247, to the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station Operating License, a change to Pages ii, 4.0-1, 4.0-2, and 4.0-3

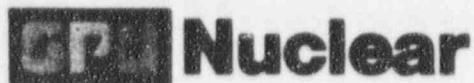
BY: Michael B. Roche  
Michael B. Roche  
Vice President and Director  
Oyster Creek

Sworn and Subscribed to before me this 7th day of May, 1996.

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My Commission Expires 06-08-2000

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The Honorable John C. Parker  
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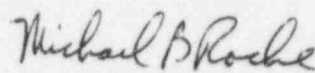
Dear Mayor Parker:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
Docket No. 50-219  
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Enclosed herewith is one copy of Technical Specification Change Request No. 247, for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station Operating License.

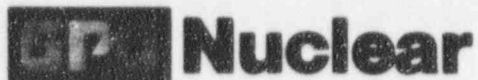
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Very truly yours,

  
Michael B. Roche  
Vice President & Director  
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Mr. Kent Tosch, Director  
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Department of Environmental Protection  
CN 411  
Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Mr. Tosch:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
Docket No. 50-219  
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Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1), please find enclosed a copy of the subject document which was filed with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission on May 7, 1996.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael B. Roche".

Michael B. Roche  
Vice President & Director  
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### I. Technical Specification Change Request (TSCR) No. 247

GPU Nuclear requests that the following revision be made to the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station's Technical Specifications:

Replace existing **Page ii** with the attached revised replacement **Page ii**.

Insert the following new pages: **4.0-1, 4.0-2, and 4.0-3.**

### II. Reason for Change

The proposed change adds Technical Specification Section 4.0 and Sub-Sections 4.0.1 and 4.0.2 which adopts the corresponding provisions of the Standard Technical Specifications (STS) NUREG-1433, Revision 1, dated April 7, 1995, Sections SR 3.0.1, 3.0.3, and associated Bases. These additional technical specification provisions provide clarification of surveillance requirement applicability and allow a period of 24 hours to complete a surveillance requirement upon discovery that the surveillance has been missed.

The proposed change is consistent with the corresponding STS provisions except for the following editorial changes:

1. STS definition terms are not capitalized where there is no corresponding OCNGS technical specification definition.
2. STS references to 3.0.1 and 3.0.3 are included as 4.0.1 and 4.0.2 to reflect the OCNGS technical specification format, and STS reference to SR 3.0.2 is deleted since the provisions of STS 3.0.2 are currently incorporated in OCNGS Technical Specification Definitions 1.24.
3. STS Bases discussion of Special Operations LCO's and examples of post-maintenance testing process to verify operability are deleted since these are not applicable to OCNGS technical specifications.

### III. Safety Evaluation Justifying Change

The proposed addition of Surveillance Requirement 4.0.1 adopts the STS Surveillance Requirement SR 3.0.1 which establishes the applicability of technical specification surveillance requirements to ensure that surveillances are performed to verify system and component operability.

The proposed addition of Surveillance Requirement 4.0.2 adopts the STS Surveillance Requirement SR 3.0.3 provision to allow a maximum period of 24 hours to complete a surveillance requirement upon discovery that the surveillance has been missed. This surveillance requirement specifies that if it is discovered that a surveillance test was not performed within the required interval, then "compliance with the requirement to declare the LCO (Limiting Condition for Operation) not met may be delayed, from the time of

discovery, up to 24 hours or up to the limit of the specified frequency, whichever is less. This delay period is permitted to allow performance of the surveillance. This surveillance requirement eliminates entries into Technical Specification LCO's and potential plant transients or unnecessary shutdowns caused by exceeding a surveillance interval. As stated in the proposed Technical Specification 4.0 Bases, the basis for the delay period includes, among other considerations, the safety significance of the delay in completing the required surveillance and the recognition that the most probable result of any particular surveillance being performed is the successful verification of conformance with the requirements. The proposed Bases also clarifies that use of the delay period established is a flexibility which is not intended as an operational convenience to extend surveillance intervals.

The proposed change does not affect the operation of any plant system or component, and does not change any existing technical specification requirements, action statements, or limiting conditions for operation. Therefore, the proposed change does not adversely affect nuclear safety or safe plant operations.

The proposed change incorporates a line item improvement from the STS and provides an overall increase in plant safety by clarifying technical specification surveillance requirement applicability and eliminating an unnecessary plant transient or shutdown by allowing a maximum period of 24 hours to complete a missed surveillance.

#### IV. No Significant Hazards Consideration

GPU Nuclear has determined that this Technical Specification Change Request poses no significant hazards consideration as defined by 10 CFR 50.92.

1. Operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not involve a significant increase in the probability of occurrence or consequence of an accident previously evaluated. The proposed changes only affect administrative requirements regarding the applicability and performance of surveillances. This change clarifies surveillance requirement applicability and allows a maximum 24 hour delay period for the performance of a surveillance when it is discovered that the surveillance has not been performed within the required frequency, consistent with the STS. There is minimal safety significance associated with a delay of 24 hours in completing the required surveillance, particularly due to the fact that the most probable result of any particular surveillance performed is the successful verification of conformance with the requirements.
2. Operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any previously evaluated. The proposed changes only affect administrative requirements regarding the applicability of surveillance requirements and the performance of surveillances to allow a maximum 24 hour delay period when it is discovered that a surveillance has been missed. No changes to plant equipment or operation are affected.

3. Operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not involve a significant reduction in the margin of safety since the change contained in the proposed amendment does not change any existing safety margins.

V. Implementation

It is requested that the amendment authorizing this change become effective upon issuance.