

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONSACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICTDOCKET NO. 50-312NOTICE OF DENIAL OF AMENDMENT TOFACILITY OPERATING LICENSE AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has denied in part a request dated February 17, 1983, as supplemented and revised July 12, 1983, and January 8, February 7 and March 18, 1985, for an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-54 issued to Sacramento Municipal Utility District (the licensee), for operation of the Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station, located in Sacramento County, California. Notice of consideration of issuance of this amendment was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on June 23, 1983, 48 FR 28765; December 21, 1983, 48 FR 56510; and April 23, 1985, 50 FR 16012.

The licensee proposed a specification to established operability requirements for the essential heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems for the Nuclear Service Electrical Building. As set forth in the Commission's related Safety Evaluation, this change was denied because the proposed operability requirements for the essential HVAC system are less stringent than the operability requirements for the system it serves. The Commission's position is that a system is only operable if all the auxiliaries necessary for its operation are also operable. In addition, the Commission denied the licensee's proposed change to Specification 6.9.5, Special Reports, because of possible ambiguities that could be created by an incomplete list of references.

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Other portions of the amendment request were granted and are the subject of a separate notice.

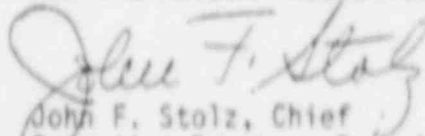
By July 12, 1985, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to the denial described above and any person whose interest may be affected by this denial and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene. Requests for hearings and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2.

A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C., by the above date. Where petitions are filed the last ten (10) days of the notice period, it is requested that the petitioner promptly so inform the Commission by a toll-free telephone call to Western Union at (800) 325-6000 (in Missouri (800) 342-6700). The Western Union operator should be given Datagram Identification Number 3737 and the following message addressed to John Stolz: petitioner's name and telephone number; date petition was mailed; plant name; and publication date and page number of this FEDERAL REGISTER notice. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, and to Mr. David S. Kaplan, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 6201 S Street, P.O. Box 15830, Sacramento, California 95813.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated February 17, 1983, as revised and supplemented July 12, 1983, and January 8, February 7 and March 18, 1985, and (2) the Commission's Safety Evaluation issued with Amendment No. 68 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-54 dated June 4, 1985 which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and at the Sacramento City-County Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento, California.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 4th day of June, 1985.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION


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