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MEMORANDUM TO: David L. Meyer, Chief  
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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMISSION ACTION: AMENDMENTS  
TO 10 CFR PART 51

By the attached e-mail dated July 8, 1996, the Office of the Secretary of the Commission indicated that the Commission is in agreement that the comment period for the final rule on "Environmental Review for Renewal of Nuclear Power Plant Operating Licenses," should be extended until August 5, 1996, with the effective date of the rule changed to September 5, 1996. The Federal Register notice (61 FR 28467) published June 5, 1995, specifies that the comment period closes on July 5, 1996, and that absent a determination by the NRC that the rule should be modified, based on comments received, the rule shall be effective on August 5, 1996.

Please implement the Commission's action by arranging for publication in the Federal Register of the attached notice extending the comment period for this rule.

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1. FR Notice + 3 Copies & Diskette
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 51

RIN 3150-AD63

Environmental Review for Renewal of Nuclear Power Plant Operating Licenses:  
Extension of Comment Period

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On June 5, 1996, a final amendment to 10 CFR Part 51 was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 28467), to establish new requirements for the environmental review of applications to renew the operating licenses of nuclear power plants. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) solicited public comment on this rule for a period of 30 days, ending July 5, 1996. Absent a determination by the NRC that the rule should be modified, based on comments received, the final rule was to be effective on August 5, 1996. In response to a request to extend the comment period, the NRC is issuing this notice extending the comment period.

DATES: The new comment period expires August 5, 1996. Absent a determination by the NRC that the rule should be modified, based on comments received, the final rule shall be effective on September 5, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: The Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Docketing and Services Branch, or hand deliver comments to the Office of the Secretary, One White Flint North 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, between 7:30 am and 4:15 pm on Federal workdays. Copies of comments received and all documents cited in the supplementary information section of 61 FR 28467 may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street NW, (Lower Level) Washington, DC, between the hours of 2:45 am and 4:15 pm on Federal workdays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald P. Cleary, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, telephone: 301-415-6263; e-mail DPC@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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John C. Hoyle,  
Secretary of the Commission.