

#### UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

February 18, 2015

Mr. Eric A. Larson, Site Vice President FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company Beaver Valley Power Station Mail Stop A-BV-SEB1 P.O. Box 4, Route 168 Shippingport, PA 15077

# SUBJECT: BEAVER VALLEY POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 1 – WITHDRAWAL OF AN AMENDMENT REQUEST (TAC NO. MF2505)

Dear Mr. Larson:

By letter dated July 30, 2013 (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML13212A027), FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company submitted a license amendment request for Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1 (BVPS-1), to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for review. The proposed amendment would authorize the implementation of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.61a, "Alternate Fracture Toughness Requirements for Protection Against Pressurized Thermal Shock Events," in lieu of the requirements located in 10 CFR 50.61, "Fracture Toughness Requirements for Protection Against Pressurized Thermal Shock Events," A notice of the NRC's consideration of issuance of the proposed amendment was published in the *Federal Register* on August 5, 2014 (79 FR 45476).

Subsequently, by letter dated February 5, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No. ML15036A424), you requested to withdraw the amendment request.

The NRC staff has ceased all work on this licensing action and closed Technical Assignment Control (TAC) No. MF2505. The NRC has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (301) 415-7128.

Sincerely,

Taylor A. Lamb, Project Manager Plant Licensing Branch I-2 Division of Operating Reactor Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-334

Enclosure: Notice of Withdrawal

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## ENCLOSURE

## FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE

#### NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-334; NRC-2014-0180]

#### FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company; Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** License amendment application; withdrawal by applicant.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has granted the request of FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company to withdraw its application dated July 30, 2013, for a proposed amendment to Renewed Facility Operating License No. DPR-66, for the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 1. The proposed amendment would authorize the implementation of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 50.61a, "Alternate Fracture Toughness Requirements for Protection Against Pressurized Thermal Shock Events," in lieu of the requirements located in 10 CFR 50.61, "Fracture Toughness Requirements for Protection Against Pressurized Thermal Shock Events."

**DATES:** Notice of withdrawal of license amendment application given on [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]

**ADDRESSES:** Please refer to Docket ID NRC-2014-0180 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information regarding this document. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this document using any of the following methods:

• Federal Rulemaking Web Site: Go to <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> and search for Docket ID NRC-2012-0283. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301-415-3463; e-mail: <a href="https://carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov">Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov</a>. For technical questions, contact the individual listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document.

• NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS): You may obtain publicly available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <u>http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html</u>. To begin the search, select "<u>ADAMS Public</u> <u>Documents</u>" and then select "<u>Begin Web-based ADAMS Search</u>." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1-800-397-4209, 301-415-4737, or by e-mail to <u>pdr.resource@nrc.gov</u>. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced in this document (if that document is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that a document is referenced.

• NRC's PDR: You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1-F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Taylor A. Lamb, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555-0001; telephone: 301-415-7128, e-mail: <u>Taylor.Lamb@nrc.gov</u>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The NRC has granted the request of FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company (the licensee) to withdraw its application dated July 30, 2013 (ADAMS Accession No.

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ML13212A027), for a proposed amendment to the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 1, located in Beaver County, Pennsylvania.

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The NRC published a Biweekly Notice in the *Federal Register* on August 5, 2014 (79 FR 45476), that gave notice that this proposed amendment was under consideration by the NRC. However, by letter dated February 5, 2015 (ADAMS Accession No ML15036A424), the licensee requested to withdraw the proposed amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of February 2015.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Taylor A. Lamb, Project Manager, Plant Licensing Branch I-2, Division of Operating Reactor Licensing, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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