

provides matching funds for cooperative agreements that generally do not exceed \$50,000.

MLI. For FY 1996, \$709,000 was available for this program. This program will provide funds for cooperative agreements that generally do not exceed \$30,000. Cost sharing is encouraged.

Application Forms

IMS mails application forms and program information in General Operating Support. Conservation Project Support and Professional Services Program application packets to museums and other institutions on its mailing list. Applicants may obtain application packets by writing or telephoning the Institute of Museum Services, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 609, Washington, DC 20506, (202) 606-8539. Deaf and hearing impaired individuals may call the TTY Line, (202) 606-8636.

To receive an application for the Conservation Assessment Program contact the National Institute for Conservation, 3299 K Street, NW., Suite 403, Washington, DC 20007 (202) 625-1495.

To receive an application for the Museum Assessment Programs contact the American Association of Museums, 1225 Eye Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005 (202) 289-1818. After November 18, 1996, contact 1575 Eye Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005 (202) 289-1818.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 45.301 Institute of Museum Services)

Dated: September 13, 1996.

Diane B. Frankel,

Director, Institute of Museum Services.

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will begin with an opening statement by the Chairman. The Executive Director will provide an update on Committee activities and a briefing discussion will be held regarding the report requested by the President. Following a lunch break, the Committee will discuss recommendations to be included in the report.

The President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities was created by Executive Order in 1982 to advise the President, the two Endowments, and the IMS on measures to encourage private sector support for the nation's cultural institutions and to promote public understanding of the arts and the humanities.

If, in the course of discussion, it becomes necessary for the Committee to discuss non-public commercial or financial information of intrinsic value, the Committee will go into closed session pursuant to subsection (c)(4) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Any interested persons may attend as observers, on a space available basis, but seating is limited in meeting rooms and the staff of the National Gallery will need to know in advance who will be attending. Therefore, for this meeting, individuals wishing to attend are required to notify the staff of the President's Committee in advance at (202) 682-5409 or write to the Committee at 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Suite 526, Washington, DC 20506.

Dated: September 18, 1996.

Kathy Plowitz-Worden,

Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts.

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Environmental Assessment

Identification of the Proposed Action

By letter dated December 6, 1995, the licensee proposed to change the technical specifications (TSs) to allow an increase in fuel enrichment (Uranium 235) up to 4.8 weight percent. The present TS permit a maximum enrichment of 4.1 weight percent.

Need for Proposed Action

The licensee intends to load fuel into the core during Cycle 9 and subsequent refueling outages which does not currently meet the TSs. By increasing the fuel enrichment, the licensee will implement the fuel strategies developed for SONGS Units 2 and 3.

Environmental Impact of the Proposed Action

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed revision to the TSs and concludes that storage and use of fuel enriched with U-235 up to 4.8 weight percent at SONGS Units 2 and 3 is acceptable. The safety considerations associated with higher enrichments have been evaluated by the NRC staff and the staff has concluded that such changes would not adversely affect plant safety. The proposed changes have no adverse effect on the probability of any accident. As a result, there is no increase in individual or cumulative radiation exposure.

The environmental impacts of transportation resulting from the use of higher enrichment and extended irradiation are discussed in the staff assessment entitled "NRC Assessment of the Environmental Effects of Transportation Resulting from Extended Fuel Enrichment and Irradiation." This assessment was published in the Federal Register on August 11, 1988 (53 FR 30355) as corrected on August 24, 1988 (53 FR 32322) in connection with the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant, Unit I: Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact. As indicated therein, the environmental cost contribution of an increase in fuel enrichment of up to 5 weight percent U-235 and irradiation limits of up to 60 Gigawatt Days per Metric Ton (GWD/MT) are either unchanged, or may in fact be reduced from those summarized in Table S-4 as set forth in 10 CFR 51.52(c). These findings are applicable to the proposed amendment for SONGS Units 2 and 3. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that this proposed action would result in no significant radiological environmental impact.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed

NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities: Meeting XXXVII

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities will be held on October 4, 1996 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the National Gallery of Art, West Building on 6th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The meeting will be located in the Lecture Hall, which is to the right through the Galleries. Visitors should use the 6th Street Entrance.

This meeting will be open to the public on a space available basis and

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-361 and 50-362]

Southern California Edison; San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3; Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-10 and NPF-15, issued to Southern California Edison (the licensee) for the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS), Units 2 and 3, located in San Diego County, California.

changes involve systems located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. It does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendment.

The Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing in connection with this action was published in the Federal Register on April 10, 1996 (61 FR 15997).

Alternative to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission concluded that there are no significant environmental effects that would result from the proposed action, any alternative with equal or greater environmental impacts need not be evaluated.

The principal alternative would be to deny the requested amendment. This would not reduce environmental impacts of plant operation and would result in reduced operational flexibility.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for SONGS Units 2 and 3, dated April 1981 (NUREG-0490).

Agencies and Persons Contacted

In accordance with its stated policy, on September 19, 1996, the Commission consulted with the California State official, Mr. Steve Hsu of the State Department of Health Services, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for license amendment dated December 6, 1995. Copies are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20555, and at the temporary local public document room located at the Science Library, University of California, Irvine, California 92713.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 19th day of September 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Mel B. Fields,

*Project Manager, Project Directorate IV-2
Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of
Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves; Issued

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of issuance.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued Generic Letter 96-05 to all holders of operating licenses (except those licenses that have been amended to possession-only status) or construction permits for nuclear power reactors, to (1) discuss the periodic verification of the capability of safety-related motor-operated valves to perform their safety functions consistent with the current licensing basis of nuclear power plants, (2) request that each addressee of this generic letter establish a program, or ensure the effectiveness of its current program, to verify on a periodic basis that safety-related MOVs continue to be capable of performing their safety functions within the current licensing basis of the facility, and (3) require addressees to provide to the NRC a written response relating to implementation of the requested action. This generic letter is available in the NRC Public Document Room under accession number 9609100488.

DATES: The generic letter was issued on September 18, 1996.

ADDRESSEES: Not applicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas G. Scarbrough, at (301) 415-2794.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NRC regulations require that components that are important to the safe operation of a nuclear power plant, including motor-operated valves (MOVs), be treated in a manner that provides assurance of their performance. Appendix A, "General Design Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants," and Appendix B, "Quality Assurance Criteria for Nuclear Power Plants and Fuel Reprocessing Plants," to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50) include broad-based requirements in this regard. In 10 CFR 50.55a(f), the NRC requires licensees to comply with Section XI of the American Society of Mechanical

Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code (ASME Code).

Nuclear power plant operating experience, valve performance problems and MOV research have revealed that the focus of the ASME Code on stroke time and leak-rate testing for MOVs was not sufficient for ensuring the long-term capability of MOVs to perform their design-basis safety functions in light of the design of the valves and the conditions under which they must function. For this reason, on June 28, 1989, the NRC staff issued Generic Letter (GL) 89-10, "Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valve Testing and Surveillance." In GL 89-10, the staff requested that certain actions be taken to ensure the capability of MOVs in safety-related systems to perform their intended functions. The staff issued seven supplements to GL 89-10 that provided additional guidance and information.

GL 89-10 and its supplements provide only limited guidance regarding periodic verification and the measures appropriate to assure preservation of design-basis capability. This generic letter provides more complete guidance regarding periodic verification of safety-related MOVs and supersedes GL 89-10 and its supplements with regard to MOV periodic verification. Although this guidance could have been provided in a supplement to GL 89-10, the staff has prepared this new generic letter to allow closure of the staff review of GL 89-10 programs as promptly as possible.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 18th day of September 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Thomas T. Martin,

*Director, Division of Reactor Program
Management Office of Nuclear Reactor
Regulation.*

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

1996 List of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides a list of Designated Federal Entities and Federal Entities, as required by the Inspector General Act of 1978 (IG Act), as subsequently amended.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Murrin (telephone: 202-395-1040), Office of Federal Financial