

would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, pursuant to authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that this meeting will be closed to the public pursuant to subsections (c) (4), and (6) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

1. *Date:* November 1, 1996
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Room: 415
Program: This meeting will review applications for Reference Materials Projects submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, for projects at the May 1, 1997 deadline
2. *Date:* November 7, 1996
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Room: 415
Program: This meeting will review applications for Reference Materials Projects submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, for projects at the May 1, 1997 deadline
3. *Date:* November 19, 1996
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Room: 415
Program: This meeting will review applications for the Library and Archival Preservation and Access Projects submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, for projects at the May 1, 1997 deadline
4. *Date:* November 22, 1996
Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Room: 415
Program: This meeting will review applications for the Library and Archival Preservation and Access Projects submitted to the Division of Preservation and Access, for projects at the May 1, 1997 deadline

Michael S. Shapiro,
Advisory Committee Management Officer.
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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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

Southern California Edison Company; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

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

The proposed amendment would revise Technical Specification 3.9.6, "Refueling Water Level." The proposed change is required to restore certain provisions of the SONGS Units 2 and 3 operating practice that were not incorporated during the conversion to the improved technical specifications (Amendment Nos. 127 and 116 dated February 9, 1996).

Before issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations.

The Commission has made a proposed determination that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration. Under the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 50.92, this means that operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not (1) involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated; or (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated; or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. As required by 10 CFR 50.91(a), the licensee has provided its analysis of the issue of no significant hazards consideration, which is presented below:

1. The proposed change does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of any accident previously evaluated.

Proposed Technical Specification Change Number NPF-10/15-472 (PCN-472) addresses modifications to the Technical Specifications for San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) Units 2 and 3 approved by Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Amendment Nos. 127 and 116. NRC Amendment Nos. 127 and 116 approved changes to adopt the recommendations of NUREG-1432, "Standard Technical Specifications Combustion Engineering Plants," requested through Proposed Technical Specification Change Number NPF-10/15-299 (PCN-299). The proposed changes were identified during drafting of the procedure changes required to implement NRC Amendment Nos. 127 and 116.

PCN-472 is required to restore certain provisions of the previous TSs that were not incorporated in Amendment Nos. 127 and 116. Changes are proposed that would revise Technical Specification (TS) 3.9.6, "Refueling Water Level."

Specifically, the proposed change revises the applicability of TS 3.9.6, includes a clarifying note to TS 3.9.6, and revises Surveillance Requirement (SR) 3.9.6.1 for consistency. The proposed reduction in water level to 23 feet above the fuel is considered acceptable since the fuel assemblies would be seated in the reactor vessel during CEA coupling, uncoupling, and weighing, and during removal of the four-

finger CEAs. Consequently, no fuel damage could occur above the top of the fuel, and the 23 feet of water above the top of the fuel would continue to ensure that sufficient water depth is available to remove 99% of the assumed 10% iodine gap activity released from a fuel assembly damaged by any conceivable accident.

Operation of the facility would remain unchanged as a result of the proposed changes. Therefore, the proposed change will not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of any accident previously evaluated.

2. The proposed change does not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any previously evaluated.

The proposed change will restore provisions of the previous TSs for SONGS Units 2 and 3. The proposed change would revise the applicability of TS 3.9.6, include a clarifying note to TS 3.9.6, and revise SR 3.9.6.1 for consistency.

Operation of the facility would remain unchanged as a result of the proposed change. Therefore, the proposed change will not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated.

3. The proposed change does not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety.

The proposed change will restore provisions of the previous TSs for SONGS Units 2 and 3 and make certain additional changes for clarity. Operation of the facility would remain unchanged as a result of the proposed change. Therefore, the proposed change will not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety.

The NRC staff has reviewed the licensee's analysis and, based on this review, it appears that the three standards of 10 CFR 50.92(c) are satisfied. Therefore, the NRC staff proposes to determine that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration.

The Commission is seeking public comments on this proposed determination. Any comments received within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice will be considered in making any final determination.

Normally, the Commission will not issue the amendment until the expiration of the 30-day notice period. However, should circumstances change during the notice period such that failure to act in a timely way would result, for example, in derating or shutdown of the facility, the Commission may issue the license amendment before the expiration of the 30-day notice period, provided that its final determination is that the amendment involves no significant hazards consideration. The final determination will consider all public and State comments received. Should the Commission take this action, it will publish in the Federal Register a notice

of issuance and provide for opportunity for a hearing after issuance. The Commission expects that the need to take this action will occur very infrequently.

Written comments may be submitted by mail to the Chief, Rules Review and Directives Branch, Division of Freedom of Information and Publications Services, Office of Administration, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and should cite the publication date and page number of this Federal Register notice. Written comments may also be delivered to Room 6D22, Two White Flint North, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Federal workdays. Copies of written comments received may be examined at the NRC Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The filing of requests for hearing and petitions for leave to intervene is discussed below.

By December 2, 1996, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendment to the subject facility operating license and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written request for a hearing and a petition for leave to intervene. Requests for a hearing and a petition 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. Interested persons should consult a current copy of 10 CFR 2.714 which is available at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the temporary local public document room located at the Science Library, University of California, P.O. Box 19557, Irvine, California 92713. If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition; and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted

with particular reference to the following factors: (1) The nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the Board up to 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter. Each contention must consist of a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted. In addition, the petitioner shall provide a brief explanation of the bases of the contention and a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinion which support the contention and on which the petitioner intends to rely in proving the contention at the hearing. The petitioner must also provide references to those specific sources and documents of which the petitioner is aware and on which the petitioner intends to rely to establish those facts or expert opinion. Petitioner must provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendment under consideration. The contention must be one which, if proven, would entitle the petitioner to relief. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement which satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing, including the opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses.

If a hearing is requested, the Commission will make a final determination on the issue of no significant hazards consideration. The

final determination will serve to decide when the hearing is held.

If the final determination is that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration, the Commission may issue the amendment and make it immediately effective, notwithstanding the request for a hearing. Any hearing held would take place after issuance of the amendment.

If the final determination is that the amendment request involves a significant hazards consideration, any hearing held would take place before the issuance of any amendment.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Docketing and Services Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, by the above date. Where petitions are filed during the last 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 1-(800) 248-5100 (in Missouri 1-(800) 342-6700). The Western Union operator should be given Datagram Identification Number N1023 and the following message addressed to William H. Bateman, Director, Project Directorate IV-2: 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 Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to T.E. Oubre, Esquire, Southern California Edison Company, P.O. Box 800, Rosemead, California 91770.

Untimely filings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer or the presiding Atomic Safety and Licensing Board that the petition and/or request should be granted based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and 2.714(d).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated October 11, 1996, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the temporary local public document room located at the Science Library, University of California, P.O. Box 19557, Irvine, California 92713.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of October 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.
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Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

Actuarial Advisory Committee With Respect to the Railroad Retirement Account; Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Public Law 92-463 that the Actuarial Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on November 18, 1996, at 10 a.m. at the office of the Chief Actuary of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois, on the conduct of the 20th Actuarial Valuation of the Railroad Retirement System. The agenda for this meeting will include a discussion of the assumptions to be used in the 20th Actuarial Valuation. A report containing recommended assumptions and the experience on which the recommendations are based will have been sent by the Chief Actuary to the Committee before the meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public. Persons wishing to submit written statements or make oral presentations should address their communications or notices to the RRB Actuarial Advisory Committee, c/o Chief Actuary, U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092.

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Statement of Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority

This statement amends part T of the Statement of the Organization, Functions and Delegations of Authority which covers the Social Security Administration (SSA). Chapter TA covers the Deputy Commissioner for Programs and Policy. Notice is given that Subchapter TAP, the Office of Program Benefits Policy is being amended to reflect a realignment. The functions of the Division of Payment Policy (TAPE) are undergoing some changes. The Division of Coverage (TAPB) is being retitled as the Division of Coverage and Support and is

assuming some additional functions. Two new divisions are being established. Finally, the Division of Benefit Continuity (TAPA), the Division of Entitlement (TAPC), the Division of Program Requirements Policy (TAPG), and the Division of Program Management, Research and Demonstration (TAPH) are being deleted and their responsibilities are being redistributed. The changes to Subchapter TAP are as follows:

Section TAP.10 *The Office of Program Benefits Policy*—(Organization)

Delete:

D. The Division of Benefit Continuity (TAPA).

F. The Division of Entitlement (TAPC).

H. The Division of Program Requirements Policy (TAPG).

I. The Division of Program Management, Research and Demonstration (TAPH).

Retitle:

E. The "Division of Coverage" to the "Division of Coverage and Support" (TAPB).

Reletter:

"E" to "D".

Establish:

E. The Division of Eligibility and Enumeration (TAPJ).

F. The Division of Representative Payment and Evaluations (TAPK).

Section TAP.20 *The Office of Program Benefits Policy*—(Functions)

Delete in their entirety:

D. The Division of Benefit Continuity (TAPA).

F. The Division of Entitlement (TAPC).

H. The Division of Program Requirements Policy (TAPG).

I. The Division of Program Management, Research and Demonstration (TAPH).

Retitle and amend as follows:

E. The "Division of Coverage" to the "Division of Coverage and Support" (TAPB).

1. Plans, develops and evaluates the operational policies, standards and instructions and provides guidance to field components on issues related to the retirement and survivors insurance program in the areas of coverage and pre-1987 State and local reporting and corrections; and to the disability program in common areas of coverage.

2. Develops and issues guidelines, directives, instructions and operating procedures for such coverage subject areas as wages, coverage and exceptions, earnings records and earnings records corrections and discrepancies, self-employment status and income, religious exemptions (including

determinations as to whether sects meet legal requirements for exemptions to apply), State and local coverage, statutes of limitations, State and local agreements, taxation of Social Security benefits, SSA benefit estimate statements, and territory agreements.

3. Formulates, plans and implements in-house office automation activities in support of program policy, studies and administrative needs.

Reletter:

"E" to "D".

Establish:

E. The Division of Eligibility and Enumeration (TAPJ).

1. Plans, develops and evaluates the operational policies, standards and instructions and provides guidance to field components on issues related to the retirement and survivors insurance program, the supplemental security income program in the areas of applications, eligibility and enumeration; and to the disability program in common areas of eligibility and enumeration.

2. Develops and issues guidelines, directives, instructions and operating procedures for such eligibility and enumeration subject areas as applications, alien issues, evidence, relationships, insured status, income and resources, living arrangements, in-kind support and maintenance, work incentives, and applications for Social Security numbers, and interprogram relationships with food stamps, medicaid and medicare.

F. The Division of Representative Payment and Evaluations (TAPK).

1. Plans, develops and evaluates the operational policies, standards and instructions and provides guidance to field components on issues related to the retirement and survivors insurance program, the supplemental security income program and the disability program in the areas of representative payment and outreach.

2. Develops and issues guidelines, directives, instructions and operating procedures for such representative payment subject areas as (in) capability assessment, investigation and selection of payees, use and conservation of benefits, misuse of benefits, payment for payee services and payee oversight.

3. Manages demonstration projects and initiatives to target special populations and program issues. Evaluates the effectiveness of demonstrations and initiatives and develops recommendations for new and revised policies and procedures to implement program improvements.

Amend as follows:

G. The Division of Payment Policy (TAPE).