For a more complete statement of the facts and representations supporting the Department's decision to grant this exemption, refer to the Notice of Proposed Exemption published on December 19, 1997, at 62 FR 66684.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. C.E. Beaver of the Department, telephone (202) 219–8881. (This is not a toll-free number.)

General Information

The attention of interested persons is directed to the following:

- (1) The fact that a transaction is the subject of an exemption under section 408(a) of the Act and/or section 4975(c)(2) of the Code does not relieve a fiduciary or other party in interest or disqualified person from certain other provisions to which the exemptions does not apply and the general fiduciary responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;
- (2) These exemptions are supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and
- (3) The availability of these exemptions is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in each application accurately describes all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 11th day of February, 1998.

Ivan Strasfeld,

Director of Exemption Determinations, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, Department of Labor.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NARA is giving public notice that the agency proposes to request extension of a currently approved information collection used to evaluate requests for access to records whose use has been restricted because they contain highly personal information. The public is invited to comment on the proposed information collection pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before April 20, 1998 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to: Paperwork Reduction Act Comments (NHP), Room 3200, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Rd, College Park, MD 20740–6001; or faxed to 301–713–6913; or electronically mailed to tamee.fechhelm@arch2.nara.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collections and supporting statements should be directed to Tamee Fechhelm at telephone number 301–713–6730, or fax number 301–713–6913.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), NARA invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The comments and suggestions should address one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the proposed collection information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NARA; (b) the accuracy of NARA's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collections; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of information technology. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the NARA request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this notice, NARA is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Statistical Research in Archival Records Containing Personal Information.

OMB number: 3095–0002.
Agency form number: None.
Type of review: Regular.
Affected public: Individuals.
Estimated number of respondents: 1.
Estimated time per response: 7 hours.
Frequency of response: On occasion.
Estimated total annual burden hours: 7 hours.

Abstract: The information collection is prescribed by 36 CFR 1256.16 and 36 CFR 1256.4. Respondents are researchers who wish to do biomedical statistical research in archival records containing highly personal information. NARA needs the information to evaluate requests for access to ensure that the requester meets the criteria in 36 CFR 1256.4 and that the proper safeguards will be made to protect the information.

Dated: February 11, 1998.

L. Reynolds Cahoon,

Assistant Archivist for Human Resources and Information Services.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-293]

Boston Edison Company (Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station); Order Approving Application Regarding the Corporate Restructuring of Boston Edison Company by Establishment of a Holding Company

I

Boston Edison Company (BECo) is sole owner of the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (Pilgrim). BECo holds Facility Operating License No. DPR–35 issued by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission pursuant to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR part 50) on June 8, 1972. Under this license, BECo has the authority to own and operate Pilgrim. Pilgrim is located in Plymouth County, Massachusetts.

II

By an application dated June 9, 1997, BECo requested that the Commission approve under 10 CFR 50.80 the transfer of control of the license that would result from a proposed corporate restructuring of BECo. Under the restructuring, a holding company under the name "BEC Energy" will be created of which BECo would become a wholly owned subsidiary. The holders of BECo common stock would automatically become holders of common stock of the

new parent company on a share-forshare basis, according to the application. Notice of this application for consent was published in the **Federal Register** on December 12, 1997 (62 FR 65448); and an Environmental Assessment and a Finding of No Significant Impact was published in the **Federal Register** on December 15, 1997 (62 FR 65716).

Under 10 CFR 50.80, no license shall be transferred, directly or indirectly, through transfer of control of the license unless the Commission shall give its consent in writing. Upon review of the information submitted in the application dated June 9, 1997, the staff of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission has determined that the proposed restructuring of BECo will not affect the qualifications of BECo as holder of the license for Pilgrim and that the transfer of control of the license, to the extent effected by the restructuring of BECo, is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the Commission, subject to the conditions set forth herein. These findings are supported by a safety evaluation dated February 11, 1998.

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Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 161b, 161i, 161o, and 184 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 2201(b), 2201(i), 2201(o), and 2234; and 10 CFR 50.80, it is hereby ordered That the Commission approves the application regarding the proposed restructuring of BECo subject to the following: (1) BECo shall provide the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation a copy of any application, at the time it is filed, to transfer (excluding grants of security interests or liens) from BECo to its proposed parent or to any other affiliated company, facilities for the production, transmission, or distribution of electric energy having a depreciated book value exceeding 10 percent (10%) of BECo's consolidated net utility plant, as recorded on BECo's books of account, and (2) should the restructuring of BECo not be completed by December 31, 1998, this Order shall become null and void, provided, however, on application and for good cause shown, such date may be extended.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

IV

By March 23, 1998, any person adversely affected by this Order may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the Order. Any person requesting a hearing shall set forth with particularity how that interest is adversely affected by this Order and shall address the criteria set forth in 10 CFR 2.714(d).

If a hearing is to be held, the Commission will issue an order designating the time and place of such hearing.

The issue to be considered at any such hearing shall be whether this Order should be sustained.

Any request for a hearing must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, Attention: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, D.C. by the above date. Copies should be also sent to the Office of the General Counsel and to the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to William S. Stowe, Esq., Boston Edison Company, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199, Assistant General Counsel for BECo.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for approval regarding the corporate restructuring dated June 9, 1997, and the safety evaluation dated February 11, 1998, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Plymouth Public Library, 11 North Street, Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of February 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. **Samuel J. Collins**,

Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Docket Nos. 50-269, 50-270, AND 50-287

Duke Energy Corporation; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Duke Energy Corporation (the licensee) to withdraw its September 4, 1997, application for proposed amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR–38, DPR– 47, and DPR-55 for the Oconee Nuclear Station Units 1, 2, and 3, respectively, located in Seneca, South Carolina.

The proposed amendments would have revised the Technical Specifications (TS) pertaining to the justification of the acceptability of the current TS for the High Pressure Injection (HPI) System and allowing operation at reduced power levels with two HPI pumps. The submittal was made because of the potential for an extended shutdown to repair the 3B HPI pump that existed at the time the amendments were proposed. The 3B pump has been repaired.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments published in the **Federal Register** on September 24, 1997 (62 FR 50003). However, by letter dated February 9, 1998, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated September 4, 1997, and the licensee's letter dated February 9, 1998, which withdrew the application for license amendments. The above documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Oconee County Library, 501 West South Broad Street, Walhalla, South Carolina.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day of February 1998.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

David E. LaBarge,

Senior Project Manager, Project Directorate II-2, Division of Reactor Projects—I/II, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Subcommittee Meeting on Planning and Procedures; Notice of Meeting

The ACRS Subcommittee on Planning and Procedures will hold a meeting on March 2, 1998, Room T–2B1, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland.

The entire meeting will be open to public attendance, with the exception of a portion that may be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) (2) and (6) to discuss organizational and personnel matters that relate solely to internal personnel rules and practices of ACRS, and information the release of which would