

CFR Part 50, Appendix R, Section III.F, "Automatic Fire Detection," to the extent that they require the installation of automatic fire detection systems in certain fire areas that contain or present an exposure fire hazard to safety-related or safe shutdown systems or components. The licensee is seeking an exemption from the requirements for an automatic fire detection system for 8 fire zones in fire area 50 (the common area between both turbine buildings), 2 fire zones within fire area 6S (a portion of the Unit 2 reactor building), and 2 fire zones within fire area 13N (a portion of the Unit 3 reactor building). Specifically, these fire zones are (1) the Condenser Bays Fire Zones 50-78W and 50-78V; (2) Equipment hatchway and adjoining equipment rooms, Fire Zone 50-78B; (3) Main Turbine Lube Oil Storage Tank Rooms, Fire Zones 50-88 and 50-89; (4) Reactor Feedwater Turbine Area Corridors, Fire Zone 50-78A; (5) Steam Jet Ejector Room, Fire Zone 50-78EE; (6) Feedwater Heater Room, Fire Zone 50-99; and (7) Reactor Water Cleanup System Equipment, Fire Zones 6S-42, 6S-5M, 13N-36, and 13N-13M.

The proposed action is in accordance with the licensee's application for exemption dated December 31, 1998, as supplemented by letters dated January 14 and April 14, 2000.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed exemption from Section III.F to effectively allow the fire areas and zones, as discussed above, to not meet the provisions otherwise requiring the installation of automatic fire detection systems is needed in order to preclude a substantial hardship should plant modifications be required to be made that would not significantly increase the level of fire protection currently at Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The NRC has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and concludes that with the proposed exemption there will be an adequate level of fire protection and the underlying purpose of Section III.F, of Appendix R, for the affected areas of the plants will be met, such that there would be no significant increase in the risk of fires at these facilities, except for Fire Zone 50-78B (Room 429) and Fire Zone 50-99 (Room 222). The fire hazard associated with Fire Zones 50-78B and 50-99 warrant

some fire protection system to provide reasonable assurance of safety. The staff concludes that an automatic detection system should be provided for these Fire Zones to provide prompt notification to the control room of a fire in these Fire Zones during its incipient stage to allow a rapid response from the plant fire brigade.

The proposed action will not significantly increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in occupational or public radiation exposure. Therefore, there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed action does not involve any historic sites. It does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Accordingly, the NRC concludes that there are no significant environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action

As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action (*i.e.*, the "no-action" alternative). Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for Peach Bottom Units 2 and 3.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

In accordance with its stated policy, on June 2, 2000, the staff consulted with the Pennsylvania State official, Mr. Dennis Dyckman of the Department of Environmental Protection, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

Finding of No Significant Impact

On the basis of the environmental assessment, the NRC concludes that the proposed action will not have a

significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the NRC has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated December 31, 1998, as supplemented by letters dated January 14 and April 14, 2000, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, The Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC. Publicly available records will be accessible electronically from the ADAMS Public Library component on the NRC Web site, <http://www.nrc.gov> (the Electronic Reading Room).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 24th day of July 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Application for a License To Import Radioactive Waste

Pursuant to 10 CFR 110.70(c) "Public notice of receipt of an application", please take notice that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has received the following application for an import license. Copies of the application are available electronically through ADAMS and can be accessed through the Public Electronic Reading Room (PERR) link <<http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html>> at the NRC Homepage.

A request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene may be filed within 30 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Any request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene shall be served by the requestor or petitioner upon the applicant, the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555; the Secretary, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555; and the Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC 20520.

The information concerning the application follows.

NRC IMPORT LICENSE APPLICATION

Name of applicant Date of application Date received Application No.	Description of material			Country of origin
	Material type	Total qty.	End use	
Philotechnics, Ltd., July 6, 2000, July 7, 2000, IW010.	Depleted Uranium Class A waste.	50,000 kgs DU metal, aircraft counter-weights.	For disposal at Waste Control Specialists, L.L.C., Andrews County, TX.	United Kingdom.

Dated this 25th day of July 2000 at Rockville, Maryland.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Ronald D. Hauber,

Deputy Director, Office of International Programs.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-327 and 50-328]

Tennessee Valley Authority; Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA, the licensee) to withdraw its June 24, 1999, application for proposed amendments to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-77 and DPR-79 for the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2, located in Hamilton County, Tennessee.

The proposed amendments would have revised the facility technical specifications (TS) pertaining to surveillance requirements for the ice weight in the ice condenser baskets.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendments published in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 1999 (64 FR 43781). The Commission subsequently sent a letter to TVA, dated December 9, 1999, noting that the staff had identified a number of deficiencies during the course of their review. Although these deficiencies did not dispute the no significant hazards consideration determination published in the **Federal Register**, they did fall short of the improvements to and clarifications of the present TS envisioned by the Commission staff. By letter dated June 9, 2000, TVA withdrew the proposed change on the basis that the Ice Condenser Utility Group reevaluated the original request and determined that the initial approach taken may not necessarily provide the desired improvements.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated June 24, 1999, the Commission's letter dated December 9, 1999, and the licensee's letter dated June 9, 2000, 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 accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (<http://www.nrc.gov>).

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 25th day of July 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Amendments to Accounting for Property, Plant, and Equipment

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: This Notice indicates the availability of the sixteenth Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards (SFFAS), "Amendments to Accounting for Property, Plant, and Equipment." The statement was recommended by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB), approved by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Comptroller General, and the Secretary of the Treasury, and adopted in its entirety by OMB on September 8, 1999. As required by the Chief Financial Officers Act of 1990, SFFAS No. 16 was reported to the Congress and a period of 45 days of continuous session of the Congress has expired.

ADDRESSES: Copies of SFFAS No. 16, "Amendments to Accounting for

Property, Plant, and Equipment," may be obtained for \$4.25 each from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402-9325 (telephone 202-512-1800), Stock No. 041-001-00548-0.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Geier (telephone: 202-395-6905), Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, N.W., Room 6025, Washington, DC 20503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under a Memorandum of Understanding between the General Accounting Office, the Department of the Treasury, and OMB on Federal Government Accounting Standards, the Comptroller General, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Director of OMB decide upon principles and standards after considering the recommendations of FASAB. After agreement to specific principles and standards, they are published in the **Federal Register** and distributed throughout the Federal Government.

This Notice is available on the OMB home page on the Internet which is currently located at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/>, under the caption "Federal Register."

Joshua Gotbaum,

Controller.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Options Price Reporting Authority; Notice of Filing and Order Granting Temporary Effectiveness of Amendment to OPRA Plan Adopting a Capacity Allocation Plan

July 21, 2000.

Pursuant to Rule 11Aa3-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ notice is hereby given that on

¹ 17 CFR 240.11Aa3-2.