License No. NPF–57, issued to the licensee for operation of the Hope Creek Generating Station located in Lower Alloways Creek Township, Salem County, New Jersey. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of this amendment was not published in the Federal Register.

The purpose of the licensee's amendment request was to revise the Hope Creek Generating Station (HCGS) Updated Final Safety Analysis Report, Section 9.2.5, regarding the Station Service Water System and Ultimate Heat Sink.

The NRC staff has concluded that the licensee's request cannot be granted. The licensee was notified of the Commission's denial of the proposed change by a letter dated December 24, 1996.

By January 30, 1997, the licensee may demand a hearing with respect to the denial described above. Any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a written petition for leave to intervene.

A request for hearing or petition for leave to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, 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.

A copy of any petitions should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555, and to M. J. Wetterhahn, Esquire, Winston & Strawn, 1400 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005–3502, attorney for the licensee.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated August 30, 1996, and (2) the Commission's letter to the licensee dated December 24, 1996.

These 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 Pennsville Public Library, 190 S. Broadway, Pennsville, New Jersey 08070.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 24th day of December 1996.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

John F. Stolz,

Director, Project Directorate I–2, Division of Reactor Projects—I/II, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste Seeking Qualified Candidates

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Request for résumés.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is seeking qualified candidates for possible appointment to its Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste (ACNW). One opening is expected on the committee in mid-1997.

ADDRESSES: Submit résumés to: Ms. Jude Himmelberg, Office of Personnel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CALL: 1–800–952–9678. Please refer to Announcement Number 97–1002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ACNW is a part-time advisory group established by the NRC in 1988 to provide independent technical review and advice on the disposal of nuclear waste, including all aspects of nuclear waste disposal facilities, as directed by the Commission. This advice covers activities related to licensing, operation, and closure of high-level and low-level radioactive waste disposal facilities and associated rulemakings, regulatory guides and NRC staff technical positions. The ACNW also reviews performance assessment evaluations of waste disposal facilities.

The committee interacts with representatives of the NRC, the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, the Department of Energy, other Federal, State, and local agencies, Indian Nations, and private organizations as appropriate.

A wide variety of engineering and scientific skills are needed to conduct the broad-based reviews required in the committee's work. Engineers and scientists are needed with work experience in the high-level and low-level radioactive waste disposal programs coupled with broad experience in a pertinent technical field, such as nuclear engineering and technology, nuclear fuel cycle analysis, geoscience, chemistry, and materials science.

Applicants should have a minimum of 20 years' work experience in related fields, or fields that can be applied directly to the work of the committee, including graduate level education. In addition to the length of the work experience, applicants should have achieved a level of distinction in their discipline and must be able to devote approximately 50-100 days per year to committee business. Most meetings are held in Rockville, Maryland. Some additional travel is required to other sites.

NRC regulations and policies restrict the participation of members in areas where these members have conflicts of interest. The degree to which an individual's participation in ACNW activities will be restricted is considered in the selection progress. Each qualified candidate's financial interests must be reconciled with applicable Federal and NRC rules and regulations prior to final appointment. This might require divestiture of securities issued by nuclear industry entities, or discontinuance of industry-funded research contracts or grants.

A résumé describing the educational and professional background of the candidate, including special accomplishments, professional references, and current address and telephone number should be provided. All qualified candidates will receive careful consideration. Appointment will be made without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disabilities. Candidates must be citizens of the United States. Applications will be accepted until February 20, 1997.

Dated: December 24, 1996.

Andrew L. Bates,

Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Proposed Generic Communication; Degradation of Steam Generator Internals

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is proposing to issue a generic letter concerning the degradation of steam generator internals at foreign pressurized-water reactor facilities. The purpose of the proposed generic letter is to (1) re-alert addressees to the previously communicated findings of damage to steam generator internals, namely, tube support plates and tube bundle wrappers, at foreign PWR facilities; (2) emphasize to addressees the importance of performing comprehensive examinations of steam generator internals to ensure steam generator tube structural integrity is maintained in accordance with the requirements of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50; and (3) request all addressees to submit information that will enable the NRC staff to verify whether or not the condition of addressees' steam generator