

Enforcement Discretion granted on February 23, 2000, and confirmed by letter dated February 25, 2000 (00-6-004).

*Date of issuance:* March 22, 2000.

*Effective date:* March 22, 2000.

*Amendment No.:* 23.

*Facility Operating License No. NPF-90:* Amendment revises the Technical Specifications.

*Public comments requested as to proposed no significant hazards consideration (NSHC):* Yes (65 FR 11348 dated March 2, 2000). The notice provided an opportunity to submit comments on the Commission's proposed NSHC determination. No comments have been received. The notice also provided for an opportunity to request a hearing by March 15, 2000, but indicated that if the Commission makes a final NSHC determination, any such hearing would take place after issuance of the amendment.

The Commission's related evaluation of the amendment, finding of exigent circumstances, and final determination of NSHC are contained in a Safety Evaluation dated March 22, 2000.

*Attorney for licensee:* General Counsel, Tennessee Valley Authority, 400 West Summit Hill Drive, ET 10H, Knoxville, Tennessee 37902.

*NRC Section Chief:* Richard P. Correia.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 29th day of March 2000.

For The Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**John A. Zwolinski,**

*Director Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-286]

### Power Authority of the State of New York; Facility Operating License No. DPR-64, Receipt of Petition for Director's Decision Under 10 CFR 2.206

Notice is hereby given that by Petition dated February 10, 2000, Mr. David A. Lochbaum, on behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists (Petitioner), has requested that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) take action with regard to the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3 (IP3), owned and operated by the Power Authority of the State of New York (the licensee). The Petitioner requests that the NRC order the licensee to assess the corrective action program and the work

environment at IP3 and to take immediate actions to remedy any deficiencies they identify. The Petitioner requested that this order be closed out before the sale of IP3 is authorized.

As the basis for this request, the Petitioner states that the NRC's new safety monitoring program assumes that the licensee has both a safety-conscious work environment and an effective method of correcting identified problems. In support of this request, the Petitioner cites concerns by a former member of the licensee's Operations Review Group (ORG) that the corrective action process at IP3 is not effective and that the work environment in the ORG is not safety-conscious. The Petitioner also cites several NRC letters that point out deficiencies in the licensee's corrective action program and one letter that points out an apparent instance of discrimination against an employee who raised safety concerns. In a telephone conference on February 16, 2000, the Petitioner voiced concern that under the NRC's new risk-informed inspection process a breakdown in the licensee's corrective action procedures for a non safety-related system would not be pursued. The Petitioner expressed concern that NRC inspectors might not be able to identify a programmatic breakdown in the licensee's corrective action process before such a breakdown affected plant safety.

The request is being treated pursuant to 10 CFR 2.206 of the Commission's regulations. The request has been referred to the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. As provided by Section 2.206, appropriate action will be taken on this Petition within a reasonable time.

A copy of the Petition is available for 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 24th day of March 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Jon R. Johnson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## POSTAL SERVICE

### Request for Comments on Revising and Updating Five-Year Strategic Plan, Pursuant to the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993

**AGENCY:** Postal Service.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) mandated, in 1997, that the Postal Service publish a five-year plan outlining its goals, targets, and strategies, and that the Postal Service update and revise its five-year plan at intervals of no less than three years. In so doing, GPRA states that the Postal Service must, as an aspect of its strategic planning process, solicit and consider the ideas, knowledge, and opinions of those potentially affected by or interested in its Five-Year Strategic Plan. This notice, therefore, asks for public comment concerning the development and drafting of the Postal Service's Five-Year Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2001-2005.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by May 15, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be directed to Robert A.F. Reisner, Vice President, Strategic Planning, United States Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260-1520.

Comments may also be sent to: [stratpln@email.usps.gov](mailto:stratpln@email.usps.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Van Coverden, (202) 268-8130.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### Statutory Background

The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, Pub. L. 103-62 (GPRA), was enacted to make federal programs more effective and publicly accountable by requiring agencies to institute results-driven improvement efforts, service-quality metrics, and customer satisfaction programs. Other statutory goals were to improve Congressional decision making and the internal management of the United States Government, as cited in Pub. L. 103-62, sec. 2(b), 107 Stat. 285. Because of the Postal Service's role as an independent establishment of the Executive Branch of the Government of the United States, section 7 of the law establishes separate provisions which apply to the Postal Service (sections 2801-2805 of title 39, United States Code).

Section 2802 of title 39, United States Code, required that the Postal Service submit to the President and the Congress a strategic plan for its program