

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: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff, 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 the petition should also be sent to the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001, and to Brent L. Brandenburg, Esq., 4 Irving Place, New York, New York 10003, attorney for the licensee.

Nontimely 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 April 27, 2000, which is 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 23rd day of August 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Project Manager, Section 1, Project Directorate I, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-354]

Public Service Electric & Gas Company (PSE&G); Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Amendment to Facility Operating License

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has granted the request of PSE&G (the licensee) to withdraw its February 24, 2000, application for proposed amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-57 for the Hope Creek Generating Station, located in Salem County, New Jersey.

The proposed amendment would have approved a revision to the Hope Creek Generating Station Updated Final Safety Analysis Report to reflect the use of the Mechanical Vacuum Pumps to evacuate the condenser during plant startup at power levels less than or equal to 5%.

The Commission had previously issued a Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment published in the **Federal Register** on March 22, 2000 (65 FR15384). However, by letter dated July 31, 2000, the licensee withdrew the proposed change.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated February 24, 2000, and the licensee's letter dated July 31, 2000, which withdrew the application for license amendment. 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 14th day of August, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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Project Manager, Section 2, Project Directorate I, Division of Licensing Project Management, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Science and Technology (S&T) Reinvention Laboratory Personnel Demonstration Project, Department of the Navy, Naval Sea Systems Command Warfare Centers

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management (OPM).

ACTION: Notice of amendment of a demonstration project plan to establish a new category of positions designated as Senior Scientific Technical Manager (SSTM).

SUMMARY: 5 U.S.C. 4703 authorizes OPM to conduct demonstration projects that experiment with new and different personnel management concepts to determine whether such changes in personnel policy or procedures would result in improved Federal personnel management.

Public Law 103-337, October 5, 1994, permits the Department of Defense (DoD), with the approval of OPM, to carry out personnel demonstration projects generally similar to the China Lake demonstration project at DoD S&T reinvention laboratories. The Warfare Centers commenced implementation of their demonstration project on March 15, 1998.

DATES: The Warfare Centers may implement this amendment to the personnel demonstration project beginning on August 29, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Warfare Centers: Vicki Warner, NSWC/NUWC Demonstration Project Office, NSWCDD, HR Department, 17320 Dahlgren Road, Dahlgren, VA 22448, phone 540-653-8507.

OPM: Joan Jorgenson, U.S. Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW, Room 7458, Washington, DC 20415, phone 202-606-1315.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

On Wednesday, December 3, 1997, OPM approved and published in the **Federal Register** (Volume 62, Number 232, Part II) the final plan for the S&T Reinvention Laboratory Personnel Demonstration Project at the Naval Sea Systems Command Warfare Centers.