Washington, DC, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site (http://www.nrc.gov). If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition; and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) The nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made party to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the Board up to 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity

Not later than 15 days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter. Each contention must consist of a specific statement of the issue of law or fact to be raised or controverted. In addition, the petitioner shall provide a brief explanation of the bases of the contention and a concise statement of the alleged facts or expert opinion which support the contention and on which the petitioner intends to rely in proving the contention at the hearing. The petitioner must also provide references to those specific sources and documents of which the petitioner is aware and on which the petitioner intends to rely to establish those facts or expert opinion. Petitioner must provide sufficient information to show that a genuine dispute exists with

requirements described above.

the applicant on a material issue of law or fact. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendment under consideration. The contention must be one which, if 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 William D. Johnson, Vice President and Corporate Secretary, Carolina Power & Light Company, Post Office Box 1551, Raleigh, North Carolina 27602.

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 14, 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 17th day of April, 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-22]

In the Matter of CBS Corporation (Test Reactor at Waltz Mill, PA); Order Approving Transfer of License and Conforming Amendment

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The CBS Corporation (CBS) is the owner of the Test Reactor located near Waltz Mill in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, and is authorized to possess the facility as reflected in License No. TR–2. The facility is presently being decommissioned in accordance with a decommissioning plan approved by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission). The NRC issued Operating License No. TR-2 on June 19, 1959, to the Westinghouse Electric Corporation pursuant to Part 50 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50). The license was amended on March 25, 1963, to authorize the licensee to possess but not operate the reactor. The license was amended on July 31, 1998, and March 25, 1999, to reflect the change in the legal name of the licensee for the Test Reactor from the Westinghouse Electric Corporation to the CBS Corporation. The license was further amended on September 30, 1998, to approve the decommissioning of the reactor.

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Under cover of a letter dated February 14, 2000, CBS submitted an application to transfer the TR-2 license from CBS Corporation to Viacom Inc. (Viacom). This application was supplemented on March 8 and 25, 2000 (collectively referred to herein as "the application"). According to the application, CBS has entered into an Agreement and Plan of

Merger with Viacom under which CBS will merge with and into Viacom (the "Merger"). The existing TR–2 license held by CBS will be transferred to and retained by Viacom, and Viacom will have responsibility to decommission the facility and terminate the license. The application asserts that the proposed transfer will not involve any change in the operating organization, location, facilities, equipment, or procedures related to or personnel responsible for the licensed activities. In addition, there will be no effective change in the personnel who are responsible for completion of the decommissioning effort as described in the TR-2 Decommissioning Plan.

The application also sought the approval of a conforming amendment. The conforming amendment would remove references to CBS from the facility license and replace them with references to Viacom, and make other miscellaneous administrative changes, as appropriate, to reflect the transfer of the license.

Approval of the transfer and conforming license amendment was requested pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80 and 10 CFR 50.90. Notice of the application for approval and an opportunity for a hearing was published in the **Federal Register** on February 29, 2000 (65 FR 10841). A supplemental notice was published on March 7, 2000 (65 FR 12040). No hearing requests or written comments were filed.

Under 10 CFR 50.80, no license for a production or utilization facility, or any right thereunder, 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 in the application and other information before the Commission, the NRC staff has determined that Viacom is qualified to hold the license, and that the transfer of the license to Viacom is otherwise consistent with applicable provisions of law, regulations, and orders issued by the Commission. The NRC staff has further found that the application for the proposed license amendment complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I; the facility will be possessed in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission; there is reasonable assurance that the activities authorized by the proposed license amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public and that such activities will be conducted in

compliance with the Commission's regulations; the issuance of the proposed license amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and the issuance of the proposed amendment will be in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied. The foregoing findings are supported by a Safety Evaluation dated April 13, 2000.

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Accordingly, *It Is Hereby Ordered* that the transfer of the license as described herein to Viacom is approved, subject to the following condition:

After receipt of all required regulatory approvals of the merger between CBS and Viacom, CBS shall inform the Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, in writing of such receipt, and of the date of the closing of the merger no later than five business days prior to the date of closing. Should the transfer of the license not be completed by March 30, 2001, this Order shall become null and void, provided, however, on written application and for good cause shown, such date may in writing be extended.

It Is Further Ordered that, consistent with 10 CFR 2.1315(b), a license amendment that makes changes, as indicated in Enclosure 2 to the cover letter forwarding this Order, to conform the license to reflect the transfer is approved. The amendment shall be issued and made effective at the time the proposed license transfer is completed.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the initial application dated February 14, 2000, and supplements thereto dated March 8 and 25, 2000, and the safety evaluation dated April 13, 2000, which are available for public inspection at the NRC'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 13th day of April 2000.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

## David B. Matthews,

Director, Division of Regulatory Improvement Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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# NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-320]

GPU Nuclear, Inc., Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
Commission (NRC or the Commission)
is considering issuance of an
amendment to Facility Operating
License No. DPR-73 issued to GPU
Nuclear, Inc. (the licensee) for operation
of the permanently shutdown Three
Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2
(TMI-2), located in Middletown,
Pennsylvannia.

The proposed amendment would reflect an administrative name change from GPU Nuclear Corporation to GPU Nuclear, Inc. Further, the proposed license amendment makes an editorial change to better describe TMI-2's use of site physical security, guard training and qualification, and safeguard contingency plans that are maintained by the Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 1, licensee, AmerGen Energy Company, LLC. In addition, the licensee requests that minor changes (mainly in titles) be made in Section 6.0 of the Technical Specifications to reflect the TMI-2 organizational and administrative controls that will exist following the sale of the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.

Before issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

The Commission has made a proposed determination that the amendment request involves no significant hazards consideration. Under the Commission's regulations in 10 CFR 50.92, this means that operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not (1) Involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated, (2) create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated, or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. As required by 10 CFR 50.91(a), the licensee has provided its analysis of the issue of no significant hazards consideration, which is presented below:

1. The proposed changes to the TMI–2 License and Technical Specifications do not