NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket Nos. 50-275 and 50-323; NRC-2016-0151]

Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Diablo Canyon Power Plant, Units 1 and 2

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: License amendment application; withdrawal by applicant.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has granted the request of Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to withdraw its application dated May 12, 2016, for the proposed amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-80 and DPR-82 for Diablo Canyon Power Plant (DCPP), Units 1 and 2. The proposed amendments would have modified the DCPP Technical Specifications (TSs) to adopt Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) 94-01, Revision 2A, “Industry Guideline for Implementing Performance-Based Option of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J.”

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The NRC has granted the request of PG&E to withdraw its application dated May 12, 2016 (ADAMS Accession No. ML16146A100), for the proposed amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-80 and DPR-82 for DCPP, Units 1 and 2, located in San Luis Obispo County, California.

The proposed amendments would have modified DCPP, Units 1 and 2, TS 5.5.16, “Containment Leakage Rate Testing Program,” to replace the reference to Regulatory Guide 1.163, “Performance-Based Containment Leak-Test Program,” September 1995 (ADAMS Accession No. ML003740058), and 10 CFR part 50, Appendix J, Option B, “Performance-Based Requirements,” with a reference to NEI 94-01, Revision 2-A, “Industry Guideline for
Implementing Performance-Based Option of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J,” October 2008 (ADAMS Accession No. ML100620847). In addition, the proposed amendments would have modified TS 5.5.16 to remove an exception under paragraph 5.16.a.3 for a one-time 15-year Type A test interval.

The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendment involves no significant hazards determination published in the Federal Register on August 2, 2016 (81 FR 50733). However, by letter dated March 30, 2017 (ADAMS Accession No. ML17089A688), PG&E requested to withdraw the proposed amendment.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 24th day of April 2017.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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