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> Susan Merrell 31 Carlisle Lane Sag Harbor, NY 11963

> > RE:

E: Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3 Docket No. 50-423-LA-3

Dear Ms. Merrell:

Thank you for your letter sent to Commissioner Dicus concerning the application for a License amendment for operations at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station. As your letter notes, there is a proceeding in progress on this amendment request before an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board. In such proceedings, the Commission has an appellate role. Because of that role, the Commission cannot respond to your request. Your request and a copy of this response, however, will be placed in Agency records on the Millstone plant. A copy will also be sent to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff with regulatory responsibility for plant operations.

Sincerely,

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