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Mr. Samuel J. Collins, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555-0001

Re: New England Power Company Acquisition of Montaup Electric  
Company's Interest in Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3

Dear Mr. Collins:

By Order dated February 24, 2000, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") approved the transfer to New England Power Company ("NEP") of the 4.01-percent ownership interest in Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3, held by Montaup Electric Company ("Montaup"). This transfer occurred as a result of the merger between NEP's parent company, New England Electric System (now National Grid USA), and Montaup's parent company, Eastern Utilities Associates, together with the merger of the various operating subsidiaries, including Montaup and NEP. On May 1, 2000, the NRC issued a conforming license amendment to reflect the transfer of the interest in Millstone 3.<sup>1</sup>

This letter is to notify the NRC that the merger of Montaup and NEP was consummated on May 1, 2000, with NEP being the surviving entity. This letter also confirms that, pursuant to the terms of the February 24, 2000 Order, the Special Nuclear Committee had been made operational prior to the merger of the parent companies, which closed on April 19, 2000.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter from Mr. Victor Nerses, NRC Senior Project Manager, to Mr. S. E. Scace, Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, "Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3 - Issuance of Conforming Amendment Re: Transfer of License from Montaup Electric Company to New England Power Company," dated May 1, 2000.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

  
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cc: Victor Nerses, Senior Project Manager  
John A. Nakoski, Senior Project Manager  
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