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Docket No. 50-271

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Dear Mr. Tremblay:

SUBJECT: VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, APPROVAL OF THE USE OF ASME/ANSI STANDARD OMA-1988 WITH CLARIFICATION

Your letter of August 13, 1992, requested formal approval of the use of the ASME/ANSI Standard OMA-1988 Addenda with the clarification that the scope of the components subject to testing would be in accordance with 10 CFR 50.55a, for the third ten-year interval of the Vermont Yankee Inservice Testing Program. In final rulemaking effective September 8, 1992, published in the Federal Register, Volume 57, No. 152, Thursday, August 6, 1992, the staff approved the 1989 Edition of ASME Section XI. The requirements for pump and valve testing in the 1989 Edition of ASME Section XI reference the Operations and Maintenance (OM) Standard, Part 6 and Part 10, as alternative rules for Subsections IWP and IWV.

The staff approves the use of the 1989 Edition of Section XI, and OM-6 and OM-10, for the development and implementation of the Vermont Yankee Inservice Testing Program, subject to the limitations of 10 CFR 50.55a(b)(2)(vii) and (viii), pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(f)(4)(iv) of the final rulemaking effective September 8, 1992. The use of OM-6 and OM-10 is acceptable provided all related requirements are met, except where the licensee has determined that relief from the requirements is necessary. The relief requests are to be written against the requirements of OM-6 and OM-10 where requirements cannot be met, with justification provided for the basis of the requested relief and submitted pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(f)(5)(iii). This provides you with the approval requested in your letter of August 13, 1992.

Sincerely,

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