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Docket No. 50-336

The Millstone Point Company  
P. O. Box 270  
Hartford, Connecticut 06101

Attention: Mr. Russell Hicock, President

Gentlemen:

This is in reply to your request dated November 12, 1969, supplemented by your letter dated December 29, 1969, for an exemption from the provisions of Section 50.10(b), 10 CFR Part 50 of the Commission's rules pursuant to Section 50.12 of the rules to permit the performance of certain work at the site of the Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit 2 prior to the issuance of a construction permit by the Commission.

You stated that the requested work is needed to permit construction of the plant to proceed on a schedule that would make the plant available for full power operation by April 1974. You maintain that delays at this time will significantly affect the ability of your system to meet the public need for power generation. The requested work consists of:

- (1) Concrete and reinforcing steel placement for construction of containment building tendon access gallery, base mat and containment walls, including installation of liner plate, penetrations, waterproofing, backfill and all embedded items in concrete or backfill to permit completion of internal and external walls of structure up to elevation 14 feet.
- (2) Concrete and reinforcing steel placement for construction of auxiliary building base slab, walls and floor slabs, structural steel framing, waterproofing, backfill and all embedded items in concrete or backfill to permit completion of building structure up to elevation 14 feet.
- (3) Concrete and reinforcing steel placement for construction of wall substructure and common wall between turbine building and turbine building auxiliary bay up to elevation 14 feet.

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We have reviewed your request for an exemption under the provisions of Section 50.12 and the reasons set forth in support thereof and have concluded that the granting of the proposed exemption is authorized by law, will not endanger life or property or the common defense and security, and is otherwise in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission hereby authorizes you to construct those portions of the reactor facilities heretofore mentioned and described and requested in your letter dated November 12, 1969, prior to the issuance of a construction permit.

I wish to emphasize that the granting of this exemption shall have no bearing upon the subsequent granting or denial of a construction permit for the proposed Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit 2, and any work performed pursuant to this exemption shall be performed entirely at the risk of The Millstone Point Company et al. Furthermore, the granting of this exemption does not constitute an approval of the type or adequacy of the method of its installation.

Sincerely,

( signed ) Harold L. Price

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Director of Regulation

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