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Dear Mr. Opeka:

SUBJECT: MILLSTONE UNIT 2 - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF NO
SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (TAC NO. M84775)

Enclosed is a copy of the Environmental Assessment and Finding of No
Significant Impact which relates to your request for license amendment dated
October 28, 1992, supplemented by letter dated November 25, 1992, as
supplemented December 8, 1992, regarding changes which would modify the
Millstone 2 Technical Specifications in the area of TABLE 3.3-3, ENGINEERED
SAFETY FEATURE ACTUATION SYSTEM INSTRUMENTATION (Page 3/4.3-13), the TABLE
NOTATION, page 3/4.3-16 and the ACTION STATEMENTS, ACTION 4, page 3/4.3-17.

The assessment has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for
publication.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Assessment

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MILLSTONE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 2
DOCKET NO. 50-336
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF
NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of a license amendment to Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, (the licensee) for the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2, located at the licensee's site in New London County, Connecticut.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Identification of the Proposed Action:

The proposed amendment would modify the Millstone 2 Technical Specifications (TS) in the area of TABLE 3.3-3, ENGINEERED SAFETY FEATURE ACTUATION SYSTEM INSTRUMENTATION (Page 3/4.3-13), the TABLE NOTATION, page 3/4.3-16 and the ACTION STATEMENTS, ACTION 4, page 3/4.3-17. The license amendment is relative to proposed Sump Recirculation Actuation Signal (SRAS) and Engineered Safety Features Actuation System (ESAS) logic design modifications. The current two out of four SRAS logic would be modified to be a selective logic that only considers four of the original six combinations.

The Need for the Proposed Action:

The change is needed to prevent the generation of a premature SRAS, as a result of a design basis single active failure, such as the loss of DC Bus

201A or B, (without considering non-safety related backup sources). Also, the proposed change to the ESAS would eliminate the two combinations of Refueling Water Storage Tank (RWST) level sensing which would initiate an SRAS should a failure of either vital DC bus occur.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action:

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed revision to the TS. The impact of the above change has been evaluated in the licensee's proposal for amendment dated October 28, 1992, supplemented by letter dated November 25, 1992, which has been evaluated by the staff using NRC-approved methodology. The proposed amendment will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents. No changes are being made in the types of any effluents that may be released offsite, and there is no significant increase in the allowable individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. In addition, the proposed amendment described is a refinement, rather than a substantial change in the operation of the facility. Therefore, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed amendment.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed amendment does involve features located entirely within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. It does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Therefore, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological impacts associated with the proposed amendment.

Alternatives to the Proposed Action:

It has been concluded that there is no measurable impact associated with the proposed amendment; any alternatives to the amendment would have either essentially the same or greater environmental impact.

Alternative use of Resources:

This action does not involve the use of any resources different from or beyond the scope of resources used during normal plant operation, which were assessed in the Final Environmental Statement relating to plant operation.

Agencies and Persons Consulted:

The Commission's staff reviewed the licensee's request and did not consult other agencies or persons.

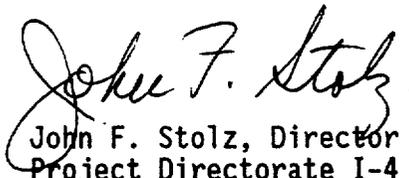
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed amendment. Based upon the foregoing environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment.

For further details with respect to this action, see the request for license amendment dated October 28, 1992, supplemented by letter dated November 25, 1992, as supplemented December 8, 1992, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC 20555, and at the local public document room located at the Learning Resources Center, Thames Valley State Technical College, 574 New London Turnpike, Norwich, Connecticut 06360.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland this 16th day of December 1992

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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