

July 22, 2002

MEMORANDUM TO: Jacob I. Zimmerman, Acting Chief, Section 2
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FROM: Richard B. Ennis, Senior Project Manager, Section 2 /RA/
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SUBJECT: MILLSTONE NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNIT NO. 2,
INITIATION AND CLOSEOUT OF TAC FOR POTENTIAL NOED
(TAC NO. MB5628)

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The licensee stated that they had invoked SR 4.0.3 which allows 24 hours to consider action prior to the shutdown requirements stated in Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.0.3. During this 24 hour period, they planned to submit a NOED request along with a license amendment application that would allow a delay period, before entering an LCO, for a missed surveillance. The proposed amendment and NOED justification would be consistent with recent industry initiatives regarding missed surveillances using the consolidated line item improvement process (CLIIP). Approval of the NOED and associated amendment would allow the licensee until the next refueling outage to perform the RCS thermocouple surveillances.

Prior to formally requesting the NOED or submitting the license amendment request, the licensee determined that they found sufficient data on the plant computer to satisfy the RCS thermocouples SRs. At approximately 6:00 pm on July 18, 2002, Mr. David Smith notified me that a NOED would not be required.

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