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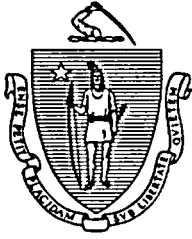
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March 24, 2004

Nils Diaz, Chairman
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
11555 Rockville Pike,
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Dear Mr. Diaz:

We write to you to express our desire to have any uprate of The Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant contingent upon an independent engineering assessment of the plant.

Collectively, we represent the communities in Massachusetts within the fallout area of Vermont Yankee. We are concerned about a 32-year-old facility being allowed to boost reactor power to 120% of its original design capacity.

The Vermont Public Service Board, at a recent meeting, conditioned a certificate of public good for the uprate proposal on an independent energy assessment. We believe the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should perform such an assessment to be sure that this facility can safely increase to 120% of capacity and that this assessment be done prior to NRC approval.

We believe an independent assessment is in the best interest of Vermont Yankee and the citizens of Vermont and Massachusetts. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Christopher J. Donelan
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