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Administrative Judge Alex S. Karlin, Chair Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Mail Stop: T-3F23 Washington, DC 20555-0001

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In the Matter of
ENTERGY NUCLEAR VERMONT YANKEE LLC and
ENTERGY NUCLEAR OPERATIONS, INC.
(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station)
Docket No. 50-271-OLA

Dear Administrative Judges:

For the information of the Licensing Board and the parties in this matter, enclosed is a copy of NRC Inspection Report 05000271/2004008, issued on December 2, 2004. The inspection report pertains to the engineering team inspection conducted at Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station in August and September of this year.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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