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Fenna Lee Bonsignore
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Town of Leverett, Massachusetts

TO:

Entergy Nuclear Op..

FOR SIGNATURE OF :

** GRN **

CRC NO: 04-0762

DESC:

Independent Engineering Assessment -- Vermont
Yankee

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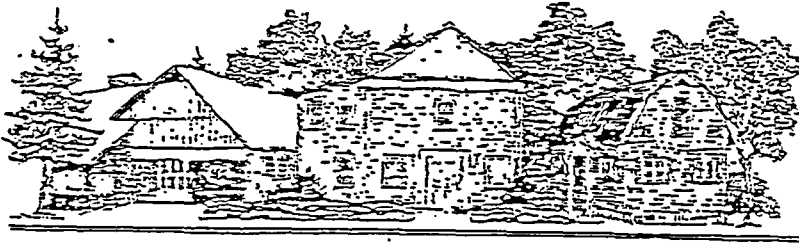
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS OR REMARKS:

For Appropriate Action.



TOWN OF LEVERETT
Massachusetts 01054

November 18, 2004

Entergy Nuclear Operations
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Brattleboro, VT 05302-0500

To the Management Staff and Director of Operations of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Plant,

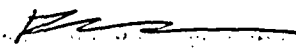
The Citizens of Leverett, Massachusetts, in a Town Meeting, voted overwhelmingly to contact you, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, the Vermont Public Service Board, and others objecting to Entergy's placing of profit before the safety of our communities. As a community within the 20 mile radius surrounding the Vernon, Vermont plant, we demand that an *independent*, more in-depth (4 month) engineering assessment be conducted similar to that conducted by Maine Yankee before any increase in capacity is considered. We already understand that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission believes the plant capable of withstanding an "uprate", however, we ask that Entergy hire an *independent assessment team in addition to a federal government agency such as the NRC.*

We also demand the following acknowledgements, safety, information, and compensatory information:

1. written notification of receipt of this letter from the Director of Operations;
2. an informational meeting with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission in the community
3. a statement outlining Entergy's intent concerning the "uprate" of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear plant;
4. detailed plans outlining your strategy for insuring the safety of our citizens and their properties should an accident or meltdown occur at Vermont Yankee *both during normal operations and subsequent to an "uprate"; should that take place;*
5. emergency plans for the town of Leverett, Massachusetts, which would catch the southeast plume (We have seen the 10-mile radius plan, so there is no need to send us that document.)
6. Entergy's plan for compensation should there be *loss of life, illness, or loss of property use* due to an accident involving radiation release at the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Plant.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

The Leverett, Massachusetts Select Board,


Fenna Lee Bonsignore
Chair


James Perkins


Richard Brazeau

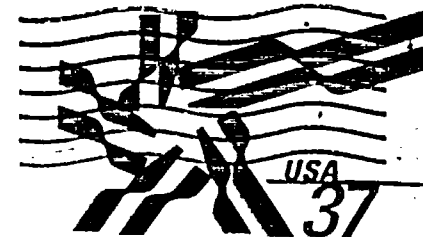
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Vermont Public Service Board

Vernon, Vermont Select Board

Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Senator John F. Kerry (MA)
Senator Edward M. Kennedy (MA)
Representative John Olver (MA)
Senator Patrick Leahy (VT)
Senator James Jeffords (VT)

Representative Bernie Sanders (VT)
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Daily Hampshire Gazette
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