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Pao-Tsin Kuo
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Dear Mr. Kuo:

We are in receipt of your biological assessment and request for concurrence for the proposed renewal of the Millstone Power Station, Units 2 and 3, Waterford, Connecticut. The following comments are provided in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543).

Based on information currently available to us, and the information contained within the biological assessment, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concurs that the proposed action will have no effect on threatened puritan tiger beetles and piping plovers. We also concur that the proposed license is not likely to adversely affect the bald eagle, roseate tern and small whorled pogonia.

Further consultation with us under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act is not required. This concludes our review of listed species and critical habitat in the project location and environs referenced above. No further Endangered Species Act coordination of this type is necessary for a period of one year from the date of this letter, unless additional information on listed or proposed species becomes available.

Thank you for your coordination. Please contact us at 603-223-2541 if we can be of further assistance. **In the future, in order to expedite your reply, please direct any inquiries of this nature to this office at the above address.**

Sincerely yours,

Michael J. Amaral
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New England Field Office

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