IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS	_)	
Petitioner,)	
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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION)	Nos. 07-1482 and
and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	07-1483
Respondents, and)	(consolidated)
)	
ENTERGY NUCLEAR OPERATIONS, INC.,)	
ENTERGY NUCLEAR VERMONT YANKEE)	
LLC, AND ENTERGY NUCLEAR)	
GENERATION COMPANY)	
Intervenors.).	•
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INTERVENORS' ANSWER SUPPORTING FEDERAL RESPONDENTS' MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A REPLY TO THE COMMONWEALTH'S SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee LLC, and Energy Nuclear Generation Company ("Intervenors") submit this Answer Supporting Federal Respondents' Motion for Leave to File a Reply to the Commonwealth's Supplemental Brief (Feb. 21, 2008). The discussion of the settlement negotiations in the Commonwealth's Supplemental Brief (Pet. Supp. Br. at 12 n.19) is inappropriate, and the Commonwealth's discussion of the NRC

statements in a 2004 rulemaking (Pet. Supp. Br. at 6-7) is taken out of context.

Therefore, the Federal Respondents' Motion and Supplemental Brief are necessary and appropriate.

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