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Administrative Judge
Alex S. Karlin, Chairman
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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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-LR; ASLBP No. 06-849-03-LR

Dear Administrative Judges:

Counsel for the Staff has recently been informed that one of the Staff's witnesses, Dr. Kenneth C. Chang, will be unavailable to testify at the upcoming hearing in Newfane, Vermont during the week of July 20, 2008, or any time soon, due to a medical condition.

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However, the Staff remains prepared to proceed with the hearing on the week of July 20th.

Sincerely,

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