From: Sanders, Carleen
Sent: Monday, September 14, 2009 9:47 AM
To: 'William.D.Bartron@dom.com'; 'Wanda D Craft'
Subject: Acceptance Review Regarding MPS3 RR IR-3-13

Dear Mr. Bartron

By letter dated August 19, 2009, Dominion Nuclear Connecticut, Inc. submitted a relief request for Millstone Power Station, Unit No. 3 (MPS3). The proposed relief request would allow the use of an alternative to the dissimilar metal weld examination depth-sizing requirements. The purpose of this letter is to provide the results of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's acceptance review of this relief request. The acceptance review was performed to determine if there is sufficient technical information in scope and depth to allow the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review. The acceptance review is also intended to identify whether the application has any readily apparent information insufficiencies in its characterization of the regulatory requirements or the licensing basis of the plant.

The NRC staff has reviewed your application and concluded that it does provide technical information in sufficient detail to enable the NRC staff to complete its detailed technical review and make an independent assessment regarding the acceptability of the proposed amendment in terms of regulatory requirements and the protection of public health and safety and the environment. Given the lesser scope and depth of the acceptance review as compared to the detailed technical review, there may be instances in which issues that impact the NRC staff's ability to complete the detailed technical review are identified despite completion of an adequate acceptance review. You will be advised of any further information needed to support the NRC staff's detailed technical review by separate correspondence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (301) 415-1603.

Sincerely,

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