December 23, 2010 (12:35p.m.)

OFFICE OF SECRETARY RULEMAKINGS AND ADJUDICATIONS STAFF RAS M-456

December 23, 2010

### UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

#### Before the Commission

In the Matter of	)		
	)	Docket No.	50-271-LR
Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC	)		
and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.		ASLBP No. 06-849-03-LR	
	)		•
(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station)	)		

# ENTERGY'S RESPONSE TO THE SUPPLEMENT TO NEW ENGLAND COALITION'S PETITION FOR COMMISSION REVIEW OF LBP-10-19

On December 13, 2010, the New England Coalition ("NEC") filed a "Supplement to New England Coalition's Petition for Commission Review of ASLBP Memorandum an Order (Ruling on New England Coalition Motion to Reopen and Proffering New Contention)." In this filing, NEC provides to the Commission a copy of NRC Information Notice 20 10-26: Submerged Electrical Cables (Dec. 2, 2010) and faults the NRC Staff for not having brought this information notice to the Commission's attention.

Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.

("Entergy") respectfully submit that this information notice is immaterial to the petition for review before the Commission. The information notice does not address or identify any inadequacy in the aging management program ("AMP") for non-EQ inaccessible medium voltage cable that Entergy has established in its license renewal application, or with the

Petition for Commission Review of ASLBP Memorandum and Order (Ruling on New England Coalition Motion to Reopen and Proffering New Contention) (Nov. 12, 2010). NEC's Petition for Review seeks reversal of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board's decision in LBP-10-19 denying NEC's motion to reopen the Vermont Yankee license renewal proceeding to admit a new contention challenging the aging management program for non-EQ inaccessible cable. See Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, L.L.C. and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station), LBP-10-19, 72 N.R.C. (Oct. 28, 2010) ("LBP-10-19").

recommendations in the GALL Report on which Entergy's AMP is based. Thus, while the information notice may show that it is important to monitor and maintain safety-related cable, the information notice says nothing bearing on whether NEC had identified any significant deficiency in the AMP. Further, the information notice has no bearing on the Licensing Board's rulings in LBP-10-19 that NEC's motion to reopen had failed to satisfy the requirements of 10 C.F.R. § 2.326(a)(1) and (3). LBP-10-19, slip op. at 23-24, 26-27.

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Lewis

Matias F. Travieso-Diaz

PILLSBURY WINTHROP SHAW PITTMAN LLP

2300 N Street, NW

Washington, DC 20037-1128

Tel. (202) 663-8000

Counsel for Entergy

December. 23, 2010

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

#### Before the Commission

In the Matter of	)		
	)	Docket No.	50-271-LR
Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC	)		
and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.	)	ASLBP No. (	)6-849-03-LR
-	)		
(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station)	)		

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing "Entergy's Response to the Supplement to New England Coalition's Petition for Commission Review of LBP-10-19," dated December 23, 2010, were served on the persons listed below by deposit in the U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid and, where indicated by an asterisk, by electronic mail this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2010.

\*Hon. Gregory B. Jaczko Chairman U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 chairman@nrc.gov

\*Hon. George Apostolakis Commissioner U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 cmrapostolakis@nrc.gov

\*Hon. William C. Ostendorff Commissioner U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 cmrostendorff@nrc.gov

\*Office of the Secretary of the Commission Attn: Rulemakings and Adjudications Staff Hearing Docket Mail Stop O-16 C1 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 hearingdocket@nrc.gov \*Hon. Kristine L. Svinicki Commissioner U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 cmrsvinicki@nrc.gov

\*Hon. William D. Magwood, IV Commissioner U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 cmrmagwood@nrc.gov

\*Office of Commission Appellate Adjudication Mail Stop O-16 C1 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001 OCAAmail@nrc.gov

\*Administrative Judge
Dr. Richard E. Wardwell
Atomic Safety and Licensing Board
Mail Stop T-3 F23
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Richard Wardwell@nrc.gov

\*Administrative Judge Alex S. Karlin, Esq., Chairman Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Mail Stop T-3 F23
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001
Alex.Karlin@nrc.gov

Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Mail Stop T-3 F23 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001

\*Lloyd Subin, Esq.

\*Susan L. Uttal, Esq.

\*Maxwell C. Smith, Esq.

\*Mary B. Spencer, Esq.
Office of the General Counsel
Mail stop O-15-D21
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Lloyd.Subin@nrc.gov; Susan.Uttal@nrc.gov;
Maxwell.Smith@nrc.gov; Mary.Spencer@nrc.gov

\*Sarah Hofmann, Esq.
Director of Public Advocacy
Department of Public Service
112 State Street – Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-2601
Sarah.Hofmann@state.vt.us

\*Matthew Brock, Esq.
Assistant Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
One Ashburton Place, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor
Boston, MA 02108
Matthew.Brock@state.ma.us

\*Administrative Judge William H. Reed 1819 Edgewood Lane Charlottesville, VA 22902 whrcville@embarqmail.com

\*Raymond Shadis New England Coalition Post Office Box 98 Edgecomb, ME 04556 shadis@prexar.com

\*Anthony Z. Roisman, Esq.
National Legal Scholars Law Firm
84 East Thetford Road
Lyme, NH 03768
aroisman@nationallegalscholars.com

\*Peter L. Roth, Esq.
Office of the New Hampshire Attorney General
33 Capitol Street
Concord, NH 03301
Peter.Roth@doj.nh.gov

\*Ann Hove, Law Clerk
Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel
Mail Stop: T-3 F23
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001
Ann.Hove@nrc.gov

David R. Lewis