

UNITED STATES

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Docket No. 50-29

Yankee Atomic Electric Company ATTN: Robert H. Groce Licensing Engineer 20 Turnpike Road Westborough, Massachusetts D1581

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 50-29/79-07

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. R. Bailey of this office on July 9-13, 1979 at Yankee Nuclear Power Station (Yankee Rowe) of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-3 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Bailey with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Our inspector also verified the steps you had taken to correct the Items of Noncompliance brought to your attention in a letter dated January 9, 1979. We have no further questions regarding your action at this time.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These items of noncompliance have been categorized into the levels as described in our correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of findings of your control and accounting procedures for safeguarding special nuclear materials and your facility security procedures are exempt from disclosure; therefore, the enclosures to this letter, and your response to this letter will not be placed in the Public Document Room and will receive limited distribution.

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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Walter G. Martin, Chief Safeguards Branch

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation

Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection Report Number 50-29/79-07

cc:

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