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Docket Nos. STN 50-568  
and STN 50-569

Coordinator  
Environmental Quality Activities  
Office of the Secretary  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Washington, D. C. 20250

Dear Sir:

I am forwarding for your review and comment the draft environmental impact document identified in the enclosure to this letter.

The Draft Environmental Statement was prepared by my staff in accordance with the statement of general policy and procedure on implementation of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as set forth in the Commission's regulations, 10 CFR Part 51. The statement has today been sent to the Environmental Protection Agency and notice of its availability is being forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication. Comments will be due within 60 days after publication in the Federal Register of the Environmental Protection Agency's listing notifying the public of issuance of the impact statement. Please send a copy of your comments directly to the applicant. His address is:

New England Power Company  
ATTN: Dr. J. Harrington  
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Westborough, MA 01581

Please note that the site for this proposed nuclear plant has some prime farmland. If you comment adversely on this point, please comment as well on the alternative sites, discussed in Sect. 9.2.3.3, in this regard.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Dr. Phillip Cota (FTS 492-8432), who is the environmental project manager for our review of this application.

Sincerely,

*Ronald L. Ballard*  
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Division of Site Safety and  
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Enclosure:  
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Applicant: New England Power Company

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