



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555
June 11, 1979

Ms. Pearl Patten Mautner
45 West Street
Boothbay Harbor, ME 04538

Dear Ms. Mautner:

This is in response to your letter of May 26, 1979 to Chairman Hendrie concerning the evacuation plan for the area around the Maine Yankee plant.

Our information is that the Maine Department of State Police is responsible for the preparation and implementation, if necessary, of emergency plans and evacuation plans in the State of Maine. We understand that such plans have been prepared for the following towns around the Maine Yankee site: Westport, Boothbay, Wiscasset, Edgecomb, and Woolwich. These plans should be available in the municipal offices of those towns. A Maine Yankee Emergency Plan by the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company has been reviewed by the NRC and found acceptable; this plan should be in the Wiscasset Public Library.

The NRC is charged with reviewing and concurring in State and local government radiological emergency response plans. To date, NRC concurrence has been given to plans of a dozen states, not including Maine. The Congress is presently considering whether such a State Plan should be a prerequisite for the issuance of an operating license for a nuclear power plant in the State.

We appreciate your concerns and assure you that NRC is making every effort to protect the health and safety of the public at Maine Yankee and at all other nuclear power plants.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harold R. Denton".

Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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