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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Docket No. 50-309

Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company
ATTN: Mr. Robert H. Groce
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 50-309/79-04

This refers to the inspection conducted by Dr. M. Shanbaky of this office on March 26-30, 1979, at the Maine Yankee site in Wiscasset, Maine and at the Yankee Environmental Laboratory, Westboro, Massachusetts, of activities authorized by NRC License DPR-36 and to the discussions of our findings held by Dr. Shanbaky with Messrs. Frizzle and Littlefield 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.

Within the scope of this inspection, no items of noncompliance were observed.

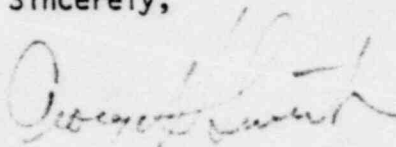
In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice." Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you (or your contractor) believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information, which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a statement of reasons which addresses with specificity the items which will be considered by the Commission as listed in subparagraph (b) (4) of Section 2.790. The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



George H. Smith, Chief
Fuel Facility and Materials Safety
Branch

Enclosure: Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection Report
Number 50-309/79-04

cc w/encl:
E. Wood, Plant Superintendent
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