



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Docket No. 50-336

MEMORANDUM FOR: N. C. Moseley, Director
Division of Reactor Operations Inspection

FROM: B. K. Grimes, Assistant Director for Engineering
and Projects, DOR

SUBJECT: MILLSTONE UNIT NO. 2
STRETCH POWER REQUEST

By letter dated December 15, 1978, Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) requested authorization to operate Millstone Unit No. 2 at an increased thermal power level of 2700 Mwt. Approval is requested concurrent with the next cycle reload with reactor startup currently scheduled for May 15, 1979. The technical review of this 5 percent increase in power level is presently scheduled to be complete by April 9, 1979.

As part of our review, we are considering the licensee's past capability to safely operate the Millstone units. In this regard, an IE evaluation of NNECO past management performance and a discussion of any outstanding inspection items related to safe plant operation at a stretch power level is requested. In order to be compatible with our review schedule, such an IE evaluation would be needed by February 9, 1979. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the ORPM, Mr. Monte Conner.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian K. Grimes".

Brian K. Grimes, Assistant Director
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