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REPLY TO:  
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Attention: Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
Thomas A. Ippolito, Chief  
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Division of Operating Reactors

References: (a) License No. DPR-28 (Docket No. 50-271)  
(b) USNRC Letter to R. H. Groce from K. R. Goller  
dated January 13, 1978; Subject: Amendment  
43 to Facility Operating License

Dear Sir:

Subject: Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for Control Room Personnel

Section 3.1.14 of the Fire Protection Safety Evaluation Report states that self-contained breathing apparatus, including spare bottles, will be placed for ready access by control room personnel. There was no indication that the Staff required confirmation that this was done. However, during a recent telephone conversation, it was stated that you did desire such a confirmation.

Vermont Yankee has placed, for ready access by control room personnel, three self-contained breathing apparatus and three spare bottles. This provides each of the three operators normally in the control room with a minimum of 40 minutes of air. Additional bottles of air are available on site if needed.

We trust this responds to your concern.

Very truly yours,

VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION

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