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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Docket No. 50-271

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation
ATTN: Mr. Robert H. Groce
Licensing Engineer
20 Turnpike Road
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 50-271/79-11

This refers to your letter dated November 19, 1979, in response to our letter dated October 25, 1979.

Thank you for informing us of the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter with regard to three of the items of noncompliance, namely, numbers 1, 2 and 5, contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with our letter of October 25, 1979. These actions will be examined during a subsequent inspection of your licensed program.

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In view of the above, we disagree with your contention that Item 4 of the Notice of Violation should be withdrawn as an item of noncompliance and we hold to the position that the security officer in question, regardless of his status with respect to the armed response force, was not equipped with the communications equipment specified in the approved security plan. In your response to this letter, please let us know the corrective steps which have been and will be

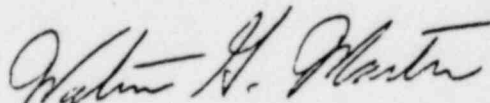
taken regarding this item of noncompliance, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of your control and accounting procedures for safeguarding special nuclear materials and your facility security procedures are exempt from disclosure; therefore, this letter and the enclosure to your letter, dated November 19, 1979, will not be placed in the Public Document Room and will receive limited distribution.

Should you have any questions concerning the above, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,



Walter G. Martin, Chief
Safeguards Branch

cc:

W.F. Conway, Plant Superintendent (w/o para 3 through 7) *

Ms. J. Abbey, Technical Secretary " *

K. Kniskern, Manager of Security " *

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