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Memorandum for Harold Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

From: Richard T. Kennedy *RTK*

Subject: PROPOSED TERMINATION OF ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
(MAINE YANKEE)

I have reviewed the subject termination Order and the other material included in your memorandum of May 16, 1979, and have the following comments:

1. As to the statement on page 5 of the proposed Order that the NRC staff has concluded that Maine Yankee could withstand earthquake ground motion in excess of that to which the facility was originally designed, either the statement should be deleted or the basis for that statement should be included in the Safety Evaluation Report (SER) supporting the Order. If the latter option is chosen, it should be clearly indicated in both the Order and the SER that this is a related matter but not part of the Termination of the Show Cause Order per se.
2. As to the statement on page 5 of the proposed Order that "NRC will be further reviewing the subject of seismic design capability of all operating reactors, including Maine Yankee, within the next few months.", this is a matter which is clearly separable from the issue at hand. Accordingly, that statement and the immediately succeeding sentence should be deleted from the Order. However staff should brief the Commission on their plans to address this generic matter, as well as the status of the responses to the OIE Bulletin on seismic analyses, as soon as possible.

cc: Chairman Hendrie
Commissioner Gilinsky
Commissioner Bradford
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