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References:

(a) License No. DPR-36 (Docket No. 50-309)(b) NRC Bulletin No. 88-11: Pressurizer Surge Line Thermal

Stratification, dated December 20, 1988

(c) Maine Yankee Letter to USNRC dated March 6, 1989 (MN-89-29) (d) Maine Yankee Letter to USNRC dated July 21, 1989 (MN-89-97)

Subject: Pressurizer Surge Line Thermal Stratification

Gentlemen:

NRC Bulletin No. 88-11 (Reference (b)) requested licensees to perform inspections and analyses of the pressurizer surge line in view of the occurrence of thermal stratification. Maine Yankee responded to this issue with References (c) and (d).

Action 1d of Bulletin No. 88-11 requested licensees to update their stress and fatigue analyses no later than two years after receipt of the bulletin (January 3, 1991 for Mains Yankee). In Reference (d), we optimistically responded that we would update our pressurizer surge line structural analysis report by November 30, 1989. That update presumed that NRC would have completed their review of the CE Owners Group analysis. This review is not yet complete, which necessitates revision to our schedule.

We will complete the update of the pressurizer surge line structural analysis report within the time frame allowed by NRC Bulletin No. 88-11 (January 3, 1991).

Very truly yours,

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