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Docket No. 50-29

Yankee Atomic Electric Company
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Report No. 50-29/89-17

This refers to the routine resident safety inspection conducted by Messrs. H. Eichenholz and M. Markley of this office on September 27 - November 6, 1989 at the Yankee Nuclear Power Station, Rowe, Massachusetts. The inspection consisted of observation of activities, interviews with personnel and document reviews. The results of the inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report enclosed with this letter and were discussed with you at the conclusion of the inspection.

The report concludes that plant operators performed very well in controlling abnormal electrical lineups and in responding to an emergency load reduction. These evolutions were made more complicated by repeated erratic operation of a main turbine control valve which warrants management attention.

No response to this report is required. Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: NRC Reg. I Inspection Report No. 50-29/89-17

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