

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION I 631 PARK AVENUE KING OF PRUSSIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19406

24 JUL 1980

Docket No. 50-29

Yankee Atomic Electric Company ATTN: Robert H. Groce Licensing Engineer 20 Turnpike Road West Borough, Massachusetts 01581

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-29/80-11

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Mr. R. H. Ladun of this office on June 8-13, 1980, at the Yankee Nuclear Power Station, Rowe, Massachusetts of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-3 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. R. H. Ladun with Mr. N. St. Laurent and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Our inspector also verified the steps you have taken to correct the items of noncompliance brought to your attention in letters dated July 21, 1977, September 20, 1979 and March 13, 1980. We have no further questions regarding your action at this time.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This item of noncompliance has been categorized into the levels as described in our correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790(d) of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, documentation of findings of your control and accounting procedures for safeguarding special nuclear materials and your

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facility security procedures are exempt from disclosure; therefore, the enclosures to this letter, and your response to this letter will not be placed in the Public Document Room and will receive limited distribution.

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

Sincerely,

Hatin A. Martin

Walter G. Martin, Chief Safeguards Branch

Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation (Contains 2.790(d) Info)
- 2. Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection
- Report No. 50-29/80-11 (Contains 2.790(d) Info)

cc:

- H. Autio, Plant Superintendent (w cy of encls)
- K. Kniskern, Manager of Security (w/o cy of encls)
- L. E. Minnick, President (w/o cy of encls)

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