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Yankee Atomic Electric Company
 ATTN: Mr. G. Carl Andognini, Assistant
 to the Vice President
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Gentlemen:

Your proposed new format Technical Specifications for Yankee-Rowe includes Section 16.5.4, Containment Testing. We have reviewed Section 16.5.4 and note exceptions from the provisions of 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix J. Our consideration of any such exceptions would involve an exemption pursuant to 10 CFR Part 50, §50.12, from the provisions of Appendix J. In order to grant an exemption from the regulation under §50.12, we must find that the exemption will not endanger the life or property or the common defense and security and that it would otherwise be in the public interest. Accordingly, we request that you identify the specific sections of Appendix J from which you desire an exemption and that you provide justification for the exemption relating to each section of Appendix J.

Please advise us within fourteen (14) days from receipt of this letter when you will provide the needed additional information.

Sincerely,

Original signed by
 R. A. Purple

Robert A. Purple, Chief
 Operating Reactors Branch #1
 Division of Reactor Licensing

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