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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
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Washington, D.C. 20555

- References: (1) H. R. Denton letter to All Power Reactor Applicants and Licensees dated March 29, 1980.
(2) D. G. Eisenhut letter to All Operating Reactor Licensees dated May 7, 1980.
(3) W. G. Council letter to D. G. Eisenhut dated June 11, 1980.

Gentlemen:

Haddam Neck Plant
Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2
Qualification of Reactor Operators

By References (1) and (2), Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company (CYAPCO) and Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) were requested to implement the revised criteria regarding qualifications of reactor operators detailed in Reference (1). These requirements are discussed further in the TMI Action Plan, NUREG-0660. In Reference (3), CYAPCO and NNECO advised that review of Reference (1) had not been completed, and that our position would be the subject of future correspondence.

In fulfillment of that commitment, CYAPCO and NNECO hereby provide Attachments 1 and 2, respectively, which contain the following training programs.

Connecticut Yankee

Licensed Reactor Operator Replacement Training
Licensed Senior Reactor Operator Replacement Training
Connecticut Yankee Reactor Operator Requalification
Instructor Requalification

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Northeast Nuclear Energy Company

NNECO Operator License Program
NNECO Requalification Program for Licensed Operators

The attached documents respond to the applicable sections of Reference (1).

Regarding instructor qualifications, CYAPCO and NNECO require that an SRO licensed instructor review and approve all programs conducted for licensed operator training and retraining. This is in lieu of requiring all training center and facility instructors who teach systems, integrated responses, transients, and simulator courses to demonstrate their competence to NRC by the successful completion of a senior operator examination. While it is the intent to have SRO individuals conduct the major portions of the Operator Training Program, certain non-SRO individuals within the NU system are utilized to teach selected portions of the Operator Training Program. These individuals are often considered to be "experts" in their respective areas and to deprive the operations personnel of their expertise would diminish the quality of the program. An example of this would be selected individuals from the Nuclear and Safety Analysis Branches to teach selected transients. Additionally, non-safety-related systems such as rad-waste, vacuum priming, etc., could adequately be covered by an R.O. level instructor.

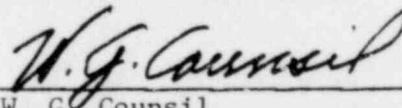
Hence, prior to the lecture, an SRO instructor from the training facility shall review the content of the lecture and approve it. The SRO may add or delete information as is deemed necessary and has the option to conduct any of the additions or the entire lecture. If warranted, the SRO retains the option to attend the lecture to ensure the content is presented in a fashion necessary to suit operators' needs.

Although certain differences exist between the CYAPCO and NNECO programs, the intent is identical in that both are designed to be responsive to Staff requirements.

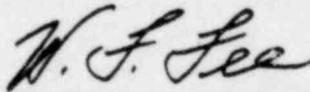
We trust you find the attached information responsive to the intent of the Reference (1) requirements.

Very truly yours,

CONNECTICUT YANKEE ATOMIC POWER COMPANY
NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY



W. G. Council
Senior Vice President



By: W. F. Fee
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Attachment