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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION I
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Docket No. 50-29

MAR 23 1981

Yankee Atomic Electric Company
ATTN: Mr. James A. Kay
Senior Engineer - Licensing
1671 Worcester Road
Framingham, Massachusetts 01701

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 50-29/81-02

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. T. Foley of this office on January 1-31, 1981 at Yankee Rowe Power Station (Yankee Rowe), Rowe, Massachusetts of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-3 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. T. Foley with Mr. H. Autio 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 the enclosure to our letter dated September 20, 1979. We have no further questions regarding the steps you took to correct Items A and C.

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 described in the Federal Register Notice (45 FR 66754) dated October 7, 1980. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you (or your contractor) believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that

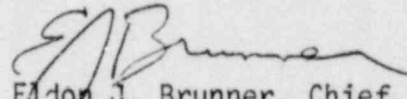
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you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information, which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a statement of reasons which addresses with specificity the items which will be considered by the Commission as listed in subparagraph (b) (4) of Section 2.790. The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,



Eldon J. Brunner, Chief, Projects
Branch #1, Division of Resident
and Project Inspection

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection
Report Number 50-29/81-02

cc w/encs:

H. Auto, Plant Superintendent
J. E. Tribble, President