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Yankee Atomic Electric Company
Attention: Mr. Robert H. Groce
Licensing Engineer
20 Turnpike Road
Westborough, Massachusetts 01581

License No. DPR-3
Inspection No. 76-02
Docket No. 50-29

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. D. Haverkamp of this office on January 12-16, 1976 at Yankee Rowe Nuclear Power Station, Rowe, Massachusetts of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-3 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. D. Haverkamp with Mr. Autio and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection, and to subsequent telephone discussions between Mr. Autio and Mr. J. Streeter on February 20 and 25 1976.

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 January 10, 1975 and October 29, 1975. We have no further questions regarding the steps you took to correct item B.1.(b) of the January 10 letter and item A of the October 29 letter. With regard to the other items in these letters, the January 10 items have been previously inspected and found satisfactorily corrected and item B of the October 29 letter will be inspected at a later date.

In addition, our inspector examined those activities conducted under your license relating to the subjects covered in your letters to this office concerning Reportable Occurrences 75-8, 75-9, 75-10, 75-11, 75-12, 75-13, 75-14, 75-16, 75-17 and 75-18. We note that Reportable Occurrences 75-12 and 75-18 involved Items of Noncompliance as described in the attached report; however, since corrective actions have been taken or initiated by you, no response to these items is required. Completion of your corrective action will be examined during a subsequent inspection.



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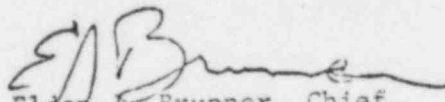
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Within the scope of this inspection, no items of noncompliance were observed.

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 enclosed inspection report 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 you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons on the basis of which it is claimed that the information is proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in a separate part of the document. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

No reply to this letter is required; however, if you should have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



Eldon J. Brunner, Chief
Reactor Operations and Nuclear
Support Branch

Enclosure:
Region I Inspection Report No. 50-29/76-02

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