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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Directorate of Regulatory Operations Region I 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Reference: License No. DPR-36 (Docket No. 50-309)

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of Technical Specification 5.9.1.6.b, the Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company hereby submits the following report.

During routine refueling operations, while fuel handling was in progress it was discovered that the reactor building purge was not being filtered through the particulate air filters and charcoal absorbers. This is contrary to the requirements of Technical Specification 3.17.8.7.b. This condition existed for approximately 16 hours. During the entire period the containment purge trip valves were operable and containment atmosphere was less than M.P.C..

Sincerely,

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