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References: (1) R. A. Clark letter to W. G. Counsil, dated October 6, 1980 (2) W. G. Counsil letter to R. A. Clark, dated April 1, 1981

(3) W. G. Counsil letter to R. A. Clark, dated June 11, 1980

Gentlemen:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2 Resolution of Cycle 4 Startup Commitments

In Reference (1), the NRC Staff documented a commitment by Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) to provide the results of an analysis of the asymmetric blowdown loads for a mixed core during a Loss of Coolant Accident.

NNECO provided the Staff with the results of the asymmetric blowdown loads analysis for both a mixed core and a full core of Westinghouse fuel at Millstone Unit No. 2, in Reference (2). As the Reference (2) results predict some grid deformation in the outer rows of fuel ass ablies, NNECO has evaluated the effect of the predicted bundle deformation on heat transfer from the fuel rods during the reflooding stage of a LOCA.

The results of this evaluation Jemonstrate that the current LOCA analyses docketed by Reference (3) remain limiting with respect to core coolability considerations following an asymmetric loading event.

We trust you find this information responsive to the Reference (1) commitment.

Very truly yours,

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