

MEMORANDUM FOR: Richard H. Wessman, Director
Project Directorate 1-3
Division of Reactor Projects 1/II,

FROM: Morton B. Fairtile, Project Manager
Project Directorate 1-3
Division of Reactor Projects 1/II,

SUBJECT: VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION CONFIRMATION OF ITS
RESPONSE TO NRC BULLETIN 88-10 AND SUPPLEMENT 1 TO BULLETIN
88-10 (TAC NO. 71369)

By letters dated March 31 and June 30, 1989, Vermont Yankee responded to Bulletin 88-10. As a result of Supplement 1 to Bulletin 88-10, corrections to their March 31, 1989 submittal were not required. In its responses, the licensee confirmed that activities required to address the issue of substandard molded case circuit breakers discussed in Bulletin 88-10 have been performed or will be performed on an acceptable schedule. A detailed technical review of the licensee's responses has not been performed; however, the area may be subject to inspection at a later date. If a subsequent inspection identifies deficiencies in the licensee's actions and responses, this issue will be reopened. Presently we consider this action complete.

By copy of this memorandum, Region 1 is advised of the licensee's position on this matter.

Original signed by:

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cc: R. Blough, Region 1
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December 13, 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: Edward L. Jordan, Chairman
Committee to Review Generic Requirements

FROM: James H. Sniezek, Deputy Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT: ADVANCED NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING "ACCEPTANCE
OF PRODUCTS PURCHASED FOR USE IN NUCLEAR POWER
PLANT STRUCTURES, SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS"

The Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation requests that the Committee to Review Generic Requirements (CRGR) consider the enclosed proposed Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPR). Recent experience has shown that some products purchased for use in nuclear power plant structures, systems and components are substandard, have falsified records or are otherwise misrepresented.

The ANPR solicits public comment on a list of issues related to the procurement of products for use at nuclear power plants. The issues are posed in the form of questions. This is done to elicit comments that may suggest the appropriate regulatory course of action. This is the action necessary to enhance the probability that structures, systems and components installed in nuclear power plants will perform as expected. The performance expectation is that the products will perform their intended safety functions or that they will perform the normal functions in a manner which will avoid challenges to the plant safety systems.

Enclosed is the proposed ANPR and the information required to support the issuance of the ANPR. The staff will brief the CRGR on the ANPR on fraudulent materials. Brian K. Grimes, Director of Reactor Inspection and Safeguards, is the sponsoring Division Director.

Original Signed By
Jack W. Roe for
James H. Sniezek, Deputy Director
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Enclosure:
Proposed ANPR

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