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Docket No. 50-423
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Re: 10CFR50.90

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Reference: (1) E. J. Mrocza letter to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3, Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications, Accumulators," dated December 11, 1989.

Gentlemen:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3
Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications, Accumulators

By letter dated December 11, 1989 (Reference (1)), Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) submitted a proposed revision to the Technical Specifications for Millstone Unit No. 3. In a subsequent discussion with the NRC Staff, additional information was requested to clarify the changes proposed to the Action Statements for an inoperable accumulator. The purpose of this submission is to provide the Staff with the requested information.

The proposed changes, transmitted in Reference (1), would allow 8 hours to restore the inoperable accumulator (proposed ACTION statement 'a'), except as a result of a closed isolation valve or boron concentration, or 72 hours (proposed ACTION statement 'c') if the inoperability is due to the boron concentration not being within the limits. These proposed changes are being combined into a single ACTION statement. Specifically, the revised proposed ACTION statement 'a' will allow 8 hours to restore the inoperable accumulator, except as a result of a closed isolation valve.

It should be noted that the significant hazards consideration discussion previously included in the December 11, 1989, letter is still applicable for the above revised change. The revised Technical Specification page is provided in Attachment 1.

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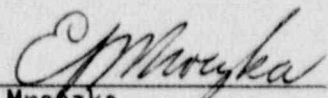
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We trust the Staff finds this additional information helpful. Should you have any additional questions, please contact our licensing representative directly.

Very truly yours,

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Then personally appeared before me, E. J. Mroczka, who being duly sworn, did state that he is Senior Vice President of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, a Licensee herein, that he is authorized to execute and file the foregoing information in the name and on behalf of the Licensee herein, and that the statements contained in said information are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.



Notary Public

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Attachment 1

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3
Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications
Accumulators

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