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Attention: Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director  
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References: (a) License No. DPR-28 (Docket No. 50-271)  
(b) 10CFR50, Appendix E, Section IV.D.3  
(c) Letter, VYNPC to USNRC, FVY 81-95, dated June 25, 1981

Subject: Emergency Public Notification System Implementation

Dear Sir:

Reference (c) described our approach and proposed schedule for implementing the Vermont Yankee emergency public notification system. The purpose of this letter is to provide the NRC with the current status of this program.

Since the issuance of Reference (c), Vermont Yankee has been actively pursuing all aspects of the program to accomplish our projected completion date of November 30, 1981. As a result, meetings with all local communities have been conducted and all necessary installation of permanent equipment such as fixed outdoor sirens and transmitter sites for the National Weather Service NOAA Weather Radio Network has been completed. Letters of agreement have been signed with 12 of the 18 towns affected by this system, and agreements are currently being negotiated with the remaining towns.

In the course of implementing our system, we have encountered some circumstances which are beyond our control, the most notable of which is the problem due to changes in the National Weather Service NOAA Weather Radio Network. These particular changes made it necessary for us to return equipment already purchased for this system to be modified or replaced by the manufacturer. This in turn delayed final equipment installation, thereby delaying complete system implementation.

Due to delays in implementation, sound level testing of the fixed outdoor sirens will not be completed by November 30, 1981. The results of this testing are necessary to determine where additional NOAA Weather Radios need



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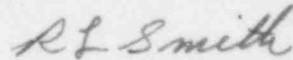
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to be distributed in areas where the sirens may not be audible. The necessary testing and distribution of Weather Radios will be completed by January 31, 1982.

Vermont Yankee believes that the actions taken and the schedule proposed above are responsive to NRC concerns and fully justified in light of the difficulties described. We trust this information is acceptable; however, should you have any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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