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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company - Proposed Change No. 176 - Low Pressure Safety Injection (LPSI) System Periodic Testing

Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b) the State of Maine has reviewed the proposed amendment modifying the normal operating position of the LPSI motor operated valves from closed to open. Because this configuration slightly decreases the chances of a core melt accident, the State has no objections to the proposed change.

Respectfully yours,

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