

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20655

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Docket No. 50-213

Mr. Edward J. Mroczka Senior Vice President Nuclear Engineering and Operations Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company Northeast Nuclear Energy Company P. O. Box 270 Hartford, Connecticut 06141-0270

Dear Mr. Mroczka:

SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT (TAC NO. 77537)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No.132 to Facility Operating License No. DPR-61 for the Haddam Neck Plant, in response to your application dated August 25, 1990 and supplemented in a letter dated August 29, 1990. As requested the amendment was reviewed on an emergency basis.

The amendment will add a footnote to Technical Specification (TS) Table 3.3-2 Item 3, "Auxiliary Feedwater", Table 3.3-3 Item 2, "Steam Line Isolation" and Table 4.3-2 Item 3, "Engineered Safety Features Actuation System Instrumentation Surveillance Requirements." The footnote would redefine the operability of the auxiliary feedwater (AFW) automatic initiation system as including credit for operator action to adjust auxiliary feedwater to full flow following automatic initiation and reliance on the control air system to ensure successful automatic auxiliary feedwater initiation.

CYAPCO has committed to resolve both deficiencies of the AFW automatic initiation system prior to restart for Cycle 17. The proposed resolution will meet the TMI requirements of Item II.E.1.2, "Auxiliary Feedwater Initiation and Flow Indication" for a fully automatic and safety grade system. The NRC staff proposes to meet with CYAPCO as soon as the design review has been completed for these modifications. In addition, because of the importance the staff places on the auxiliary feedwater system and the apparent weaknesses of the current AFW system, the staff recommends that CYAPCO investigate other improvements to improve AFW system reliability (i.e., upgrade of the electric AFW pump).

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A copy of the related Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. The notice of issuance will be included in the Commission's bi-weekly <u>Federal Register</u> notice.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No.132 to DPR-61
- 2. Safety Evaluation

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