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Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
Region I  
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Attention: Mr. Ronald C. Haynes, Director

References: (a) License DPR-36 (Docket 50-309)  
(b) USNRC Letter to MYAPCo dated September 1, 1981,  
Inspection 50-309/81-16  
(c) MYAPCo Letter to USNRC dated December 28, 1981  
(d) MYAPCo Letter to USNRC dated May 20, 1982  
(e) USNRC Letter to MYAPCo dated June 9, 1982

Subject: Inspection 50-309/81-16

Dear Sir:

In response to Reference (e) above, please be advised that on Thursday, June 24, 1982, the Plant Operations Review Committee (PORC) reviewed and approved Teledyne's procedures for analysis of Strontium 89/90. This means that with respect to these procedures, Maine Yankee is now in full compliance.

In telephone conversations held on December 1, 1981 and December 2, 1981 with the Regional Administrator and the Director of the Division of Resident and Project Inspection, it was agreed that we have a valid concern about diluting the effectiveness of PORC activities; that PORC should not be involved in the review of detailed analytical procedures used by vendors to accomplish safety related but offline activities; and that the specific resolution regarding this procedure does not reflect any intention to generalize the philosophy forming the basis of this citation. Our concerns were explained in our letter of December 28, 1981 (Reference c).

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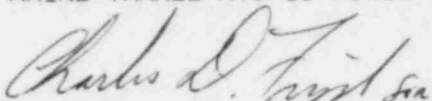
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We are left with the impression that we should either pursue this matter further with NRC management, or seek a revision of the technical specification to clarify its intent, because the resolution of this specific violation appears to have been a special case for reasons which are not entirely clear.

We trust this response is satisfactory. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to call us.

Very truly yours,

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