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Dear Mr. Garrity:

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SUBJECT: MAINE YANKEE FIRE PROTECTION-REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION FROM SOME REQUIREMENTS OF APPENDIX R TO 10 CFR PART 50, SECTION III.G.

By letter dated March 5, 1982, you requested two exemptions from the requirements of Appendix R to 10 CFR Part 50. The first, an exemption from Section III.G.3.b, would remove the requirement to install a fixed fire suppression system in the Maine Yankee control room. The Commission has granted this request as described in the enclosed Exemption (Enclosure 1).

Your second request was for an exemption from Sections III.G.2 and III.G.3, as applied to the Cable Vauit, to the extent that it requires physical separation between redundant trains or the installation of an alternate or dedicated shutdown capability. Based on our evaluation (Enclosure 2) we have determined that both trains of equipment necessary to achieve safe shutdown can be affected by a single fire in the Cable Vault. Therefore your request for an exemption from Sections III.G.2 and III.G.3, as applied to the Cable Vault, is denied.

A copy of the Exemption is being filed with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Robert A. Purple

Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director Division of Licensing

Enclosure: 1. Exemption 2. Evaluation cc: See next page			DAMARB#3 BCLARK 6/16/82	-1/100	Grs of	The during m	DD:NRR ECase
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