

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation
Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station

Docket No. 50-271
License No. DPR-28

During an NRC inspection conducted on January 3-7, 1994, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion XI, Test Control, requires, in part, that, a test program shall be established to assure that all testing required to demonstrate that structures, systems, and components will perform satisfactorily in service is identified and performed in accordance with written test procedures which incorporate the requirements and acceptance limits contained in applicable design documents.

Contrary to the above, during an NRC inspection conducted on January 3-7, 1994, the inspectors identified that a test program was not established to demonstrate that the control room ventilation system would perform its intended safety function to maintain a habitable environment for control room personnel and equipment during a postulated accident. A written test procedure was not available that incorporated acceptance limits for the system isolation function. The system isolation function is described in Section 10.12.3.3 of the Final Safety Analysis Report.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region I, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the receipt date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

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