Docket No. 50-271

Mr. Donald A. Reid Vice President, Operations Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation RD 5, Box 169 Ferry Road Brattleboro, Vermont 05301

Dear Mr. Reid:

SUBJECT: 10 CFR 54 QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM REVIEW

Reference: Letter, dated December 29, 1993, from C. Russell Clark to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting Vermont Yankee Operation Quality Assurance Program (YOQAP-I-A), Revision 24

We received your 10 CFR 50.54(a) submittal referenced above, transmitting Revision 24 to the Quality Assurance Program for Vermont Yankee. The Region I staff has reviewed this submittal in accordance with 10 CFR 50.54(a) and determined that the changes to the Quality Assurance Program are acceptable in that the Quality Assurance Program continues to satisfy the criteria of Appendix B of 10 CFR 50. If there are changes to other operative QA commitments existing in docketed correspondence outside of the QA program description, you are obligated to notify this office. Implementing such changes should be based on 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3). The effectiveness of your Quality Assurance Program and procedure implementation will continue to be the subject of routine regional inspections.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact Mr. M. Modes at (610) 337-5198, or Mr. S. Chaudhary at (610) 337-5335.

Sincerely,

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Reference(s): (a) License No. DPR-3 (Docket 50-29) (b) License No. DPR-28 (Docket 50-271)

Subject:

Yankee Atomic Electric Company Operational Quality Assurance Program (YOQAP-I-A), Rev. 24

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for your information is Revision 24 of YOQAP-I-A. The revision addresses programmatic changes to our program for Yankee (Reference (a)) and Vermont Yankee (Reference (b)).

An evaluation has been performed on the change to determine if any requirements contained in the previous NRC-approved QA Program were deleted or made less stringent, and thereby constitute a reduction of commitments. The evaluation used 10CFR50, Appendix B, requirements as the basis for concluding that the revised program incorporating the change continues to satisfy the criteria of Appendix B.

The changes involved are all considered organizational changes as a result of realignment of responsibilities, title changes or clarifications. In addition, the lines of communications, ownership and accountability with Vermont Yankee and their QA organization have been strengthened based on the changes. (See Attachment A for description of the changes.)

If you have any questions in regard to this revision, please contact Mr. Walter K. Peterson of this office.

Very true yours,

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