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References: a) License No. DPR 36 (Docket No. 50-309)  
b) MYAPCo Letter to USNRC dated January 8, 1981 (WMY80-167)

Subject: Shift Technical Advisor Training

Gentlemen:

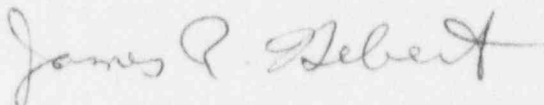
The NRC published a new training rule (10CFR50.120) on April 26, 1993. This rule requires that training programs, based on a Systems Approach to Training, be implemented for specific job positions at nuclear power plants. One of the positions specified is the Shift Technical Advisor (STA).

In the statement of considerations published with the rule, the NRC states "No written response is required by this rule. However, applicants and licensees would be expected to compare their current training commitments and licensing bases with the requirements of this rule. Licensees should use the results of this comparison to evaluate and revise, as appropriate, existing technical specifications or previous commitments. This approach will ensure a common understanding between applicants, licensees and the NRC staff of training commitments when future inspections are conducted."

Maine Yankee has reviewed our past commitments concerning STA training in Reference (b). Those commitments were made to meet post TMI requirements outlined in NUREG 0737. With implementation of STA training programs based on a System Approach to Training, including use of a plant specific simulator, Maine Yankee feels these commitments are outdated and are no longer required.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact us.

Very truly yours,



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