

April 15, 1994

Docket No. 50-029

Mr. H. T. Tracy, Jr.
Vice President, Treasurer and
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Dear Mr. Tracy:

SUBJECT: INCREASED EXPENDITURE OF DECOMMISSIONING FUNDS FOR SECOND PHASE OF
COMPONENT REMOVAL (TAC NO. M88465)

By letter dated December 30, 1993, Yankee Atomic Electric Company (YAEC) requested that it be permitted to use funds in the decommissioning trust fund prior to NRC approval of the Yankee Nuclear Power Station decommissioning plan. The NRC reviewed this proposal against existing Commission guidance and by letter dated March 11, 1994, stated that the expenditures were consistent with criteria in the NRC draft policy statement of February 3, 1994. Subsequent to the NRC letter of March 11, 1994, YAEC, in a letter dated March 28, 1994, reported it has determined that the total cost of the project would be higher than the value provided in its December 30, 1993, letter (\$9 million versus \$7 million), but that the total cost of the project continues to be a small fraction of the total decommissioning trust funds collected to date.

The NRC has reviewed the YAEC letter of March 28, 1994, and concludes that the additional \$2 million cost does not impact NRC conclusions reached in the NRC letter of March 11, 1994. Consequently, the staff does not object to the proposed use of decommissioning funds for the stated YAEC activities.

Sincerely,

Original signed by: Anthony Markley for
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