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Docket No. 50-245 B13739

Re: 10CFR50.90 10CFR50, Appendix J

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Document Control Desk

Gentlemen:

Washington, DC 20555

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1 Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications Integrated Leak Rate Test--Mass Point Method

Pursuant to 10CFR50.90, Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) submitted a license amendment request to add the mass point test method of calculating containment integrated leak rate test results to Section 4.7.A.3 of the Millstone Unit No. 1 Technical Specifications. The mass point method has been acknowledged and accepted by the NRC, as outlined in 10CFR50, Appendix J, Section III.A.3(a). The license amendment is necessary to update the Millstone Unit Nc. 1 Technical Specifications to allow NNECO to use the mass point method as described in American National Standard ANSI/ANS 56.8-1987 for calculating containment leakage.

In its application, NNECO incorporated the mass point method by a specific reference to ANSI/ANS 56.8-1987. However, during discussions with the Staff, NNECO was requested to amend its January 16, 1991 application by removing the specific reference to ANSI/ANS 56.8-1987. In response to that request. NNECO proposes to replace the change identified in the January 16, 1991 submittal with the change provided in Attachment 1 to this letter. This proposed change to the Millstone Unit No. 1 Technical Specifications is bounded by the prior evaluation and is considered a nonintent change with respect to the January 16, 1991 submittal. NNECO believes that the discussion, determination of no significant hazards consideration, and conclusions in the January 16, 1991 submittal remain valid and are applicable to this change.

⁽¹⁾ E. J. Mroczka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Proposed Revision to Technical Specifications--Integrated Leak Rate Test--Mass Point Method," dated January 16, 1991.

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If you have any questions concerning this submittal, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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Then personally appeared before me, E. J. Mroczka, who being duly sworn, did state that he is Senior Vice President of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, a Licensee herein, that he is authorized to execute and file the foregoing information in the name and on behalf of the Licensee herein, and that the statements contained in said information are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Notary Public