

# VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION



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May 29, 1984

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director  
Division of Licensing

References: a) License No. DPR-28 (Docket No. 50-271)  
b) Letter, USNRC to VYNPC, I&E Information Notice  
84-05, Revision 1, dated 3/28/84  
c) Letter, VYNPC to USNRC, FVY 84-10, dated 2/13/84

Dear Sir:

Subject: Request for Exemption - Emergency Plan Annual Exercise

In accordance with the provisions of 10CFR50.12, Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation hereby requests an exemption from the requirements of 10CFR50, Appendix E, "Emergency Planning and Preparedness for Production and Utilization Facilities". Specifically, we are requesting an exemption from Section IV.F.1 of Appendix E, which requires a nuclear power facility to conduct an annual emergency preparedness exercise and to include participation by appropriate state and local governments.

As discussed in Reference c), our 1984 annual exercise is scheduled to be conducted on November 14, 1984. However, we have recently been notified by the State of Vermont (letter dated March 30, 1984, Attachment A), that they are withdrawing their previous commitment to participate in our 1984 exercise. Their withdrawal has received the concurrence of the other two affected states (Massachusetts and New Hampshire). A copy of the March 30, 1984 letter has been forwarded to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region I.

The basis for our exemption request is as follows:

- 1) FEMA's evaluation of the 1983 Vermont Yankee annual exercise, held on September 21, 1983, indicated that the state and local government participation reflected an adequate or above average capability to respond to an off-site emergency at the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station;

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**VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION**

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ATTACHMENT A

STATE OF VERMONT  
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
WATERBURY  
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30 March 1984

Dorsey Holsinger  
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Dear Dorsey:

Regarding the next scheduled exercises for Vermont Yankee and Yankee (Rowe), we believe the following are acceptable from Vermont's perspective:

Vermont Yankee: April 1985 - full scale exercise.

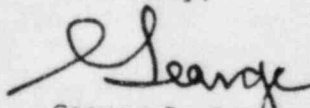
Yankee (Rowe): 22 August 1984 - full scale or mini exercise.

We have had discussions with both the other states regarding these dates. New Hampshire also had reservations with the previously proposed November 1984 date for Vermont Yankee. The April 1985 date is agreeable with them. Our discussions with Massachusetts indicate that they will be willing to consider the proposed date for Vermont Yankee. Relative to the Yankee (Rowe) exercise, the date has approval from both affected states. Vermont will abide by Massachusetts decision as to the scale to be used. The Vermont Yankee proposed date has been orally communicated to FEMA - Region I.

From the standpoint of Vermont, the previously proposed November 1984 date for Vermont Yankee was unsuitable for a number of reasons. The final word on this however, originated from the Governor's office.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

  
George L. Lowe  
Deputy Director

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cc: Richard Strome, NHCDA  
Robert Boulay, MCDA  
Edward Thomas, FEMA Region I  
Commissioner Paul R. Philbrook, VTCD