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Docket No. 50-336  
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Re: Reg. Guide 1.97

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attention: Document Control Desk  
Washington, DC 20555

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2  
Modification of Commitment

Purpose

The purpose of this letter is to modify the schedule for a commitment made by Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) on behalf of Millstone Unit No. 2 in response to a Notice of Deviation (NOD) dated December 15, 1994.

Background

By letter dated December 15, 1994,<sup>(1)</sup> the NRC transmitted a NOD for Millstone Unit No. 2 with regard to compliance with Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.97.<sup>(2)</sup> In our response to this NOD dated January 30, 1995,<sup>(3)</sup> NNECO committed to perform a detailed review of RG 1.97 commitments, including a design basis review and verification of equipment installations. This commitment was made as a corrective step that will be taken to avoid further violations related to RG 1.97 conformance, and was scheduled to be complete by December 31, 1995.

- (1) J. T. Wiggins letter to J. F. Opeka, "Notice of Violation and Notice of Deviation (NRC Inspection Reports: 50-245/94-201, 50-336/94-201, 50-423/94-201, 50-336/94-24 and 50-423/94-23)," dated December 15, 1994.
- (2) U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Regulatory Guide 1.97, Revision 2, "Instrumentation for Light-Water-Cooled Nuclear Power Plants to Assess Plant and Environs Conditions During and Following an Accident," dated December 1980.
- (3) J. F. Opeka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2 - Reply to a Notice of Violation, Inspection Reports 50-245/94-201, 50-336/94-201, 50-423/94-201, 50-336/94-24 and 50-423/94-23," dated January 30, 1995.

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Discussion

Millstone Unit No. 2 has only recently started up from an extended refueling outage. Engineering resources that were to have been applied to the RG 1.97 review were redirected to support the additional work necessary to bring the unit back on line. This has delayed the commencement of the review and verification process, and has made it necessary to postpone the completion date to July 15, 1996. This deferral of the completion date will ensure that the review is accomplished in a rigorous and thorough manner.

Commitments

This letter modifies the schedule for a previously docketed commitment. There are no additional commitments contained within this letter.

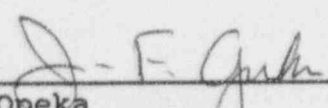
Conclusion

NNECO fully intends to fulfill the commitment made in response to the NOD to review the Millstone Unit No. 2 RG 1.97 program. However, this review is now anticipated to be completed by July 15, 1996.

This information is provided to keep the Staff informed on our schedule for performing the detailed review of RG 1.97 commitments. No specific Staff action is requested or required in response to this letter. However, should the Staff have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Mr. Rod S. Peterson at (203) 440-2074.

Very truly yours,

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