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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region I
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Attention: Mr. Richard W. Starostecki, Director
Division of Project and Resident Programs

References: (a) Construction Permits CPPR-135 and CPPR-136, Docket
Nos. 50-443 and 50-444
(b) Telecon of March 26, 1984, A. L. Legendre (YAEC) to
A. Cerne (NRC Region I)
(c) USNRC Letter, dated December 27, 1983, "Combined Inspection
Nos. 50-443/83-17; 50-444/83-13", R. W. Starostecki to
R. J. Harrison
(d) PSNH Letter, dated April 27, 1984, "Interim 10CFR50.55(e)
Report; Fuel Transfer Tube Seam Closure Welds",
J. DeVincentis to R. W. Starostecki

Subject: Interim 10CFR50.55(e) Report; Fuel Transfer Tube Seam Closure
Welds

Dear Sir:

On March 26, 1984, we reported a 10CFR50.55(e) item to Region I [Reference (b)] regarding the potential for overstressing welds that join the expansion joint assemblies to the fuel transfer tube. The following information is being filed pursuant to the interim reporting provision of 10CFR50.55(e)(3).

On April 27, 1984, we filed an interim report to Region I [Reference (d)] stating that this weld deficiency constituted a reportable 10CFR50.55(e) condition. We specified that the corrective actions which entailed reworking the seam closure weld details to satisfy ASME III, Code Class 2 criteria, would be scheduled for completion by June 15, 1984.

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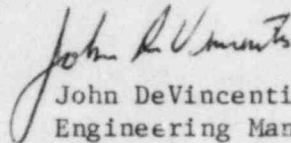
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Because of the temporary suspension of construction on the Seabrook Project, the corrective actions have not been completed. We will notify your office upon completion of the corrective actions.

Very truly yours,

YANKEE ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANY


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