

# New Hampshire Yankee

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Washington, D.C. 20555

Attention: Document Control Desk

Reference: Facility Operating License No. NPF-86, Docket No. 50-443

Subject: License Amendment Request 91-11: Code Safety Valve Setpoint Tolerance  
Relaxation

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 10CFR50.90 New Hampshire Yankee (NHY) hereby transmits License Amendment Request 91-11 as Enclosure 1. This License Amendment Request is distributed pursuant to 10CFR50.4.

The purpose of License Amendment Request 91-11 is to propose changes to the Seabrook Station Technical Specifications to allow a relaxation in the Pressurizer Safety Valve (PSV) and Main Steam Safety Valve (MSSV) setpoint tolerances to  $\pm 3\%$ . New Hampshire Yankee proposes to utilize the  $\pm 3\%$  tolerance for the "as-found" acceptance criteria for additional valve testing required by ASME Section XI, Article IWV-3513. The proposed Technical Specification changes require that the PSV and MSSV setpoints be restored to within  $\pm 1\%$  of their nominal setpoints following testing. New Hampshire Yankee is also proposing to revise the BASES for Technical Specification 3/4.7.1.1 to specify the correct Edition of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section III applicable to the MSSVs. The proposed relaxation of the PSV and MSSV setpoint tolerances complies with the 1989 Edition of the ASME Code, Section XI. The proposed relaxation of the PSV and MSSV setpoint tolerances has been evaluated by Yankee Atomic Electric Company (YAEC) for NHY and is documented in topical report YAEC-1847 (enclosed in Section VIII).

License Amendment Request 91-11 has been reviewed and approved by the NHY Station Operation Review Committee and the Nuclear Safety Audit Review Committee.

As discussed in the enclosed License Amendment Request 91-11, Section V, the proposed changes have been determined not to involve a significant hazards consideration pursuant to the standards of 10CFR50.92. A copy of this letter and the enclosed License Amendment Request 91-11 have been forwarded to the State of New Hampshire State Liaison Officer pursuant to 10CFR50.91(b). Additionally, NHY has determined that License Amendment Request 91-11 meets the criteria delineated in 10CFR51.22(c)(9) for a categorical exclusion from the requirements for an Environmental Impact Statement (see Section VII, enclosed).

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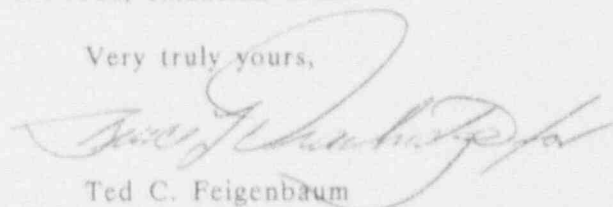
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New Hampshire Yankee requests NRC review of License Amendment Request 91-11 and issuance of a license amendment by August 31, 1992 (see enclosed License Amendment Request 91-11, Section VI). This schedule is proposed in support of code safety valve testing which is required to be performed pursuant to the NHY Inservice Test Program during the second refueling outage which is scheduled to begin in September 1992.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Terry L. Harpster, Director of Licensing Services, at (603) 474-9521, extension 2765.

Very truly yours,



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