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Mr. Robert E. Busch
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Northeast Utilities Service Company
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SUBJECT: EXAMINATION REPORT NO. 50-423/95-43(OL)

Dear Mr Busch:

During the week of November 20-December 1, 1995, the NRC administered initial examinations to four reactor operator (RO) and six senior reactor operator (SRO) candidates from your company who were applying for licenses to operate the Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit 3 (MP3). These examinations addressed areas important to public health and safety and were administered under Revision 7 to the Examiner Standards (NUREG-1021). In addition, the examination process was conducted under the guidance of Generic Letter 95-06, "Changes in the Operator Licensing Program," which provided the opportunity for facilities to develop and, in part, conduct initial licensing examinations with NRC oversight. For this examination, MP3 personnel developed all segments of the examination, while the NRC provided oversight and final approval prior to the administration of the examination. MP3 training personnel subsequently administered the NRC-approved written examination, while the operating examinations were administered by the NRC.

At the conclusion of the examinations, generic findings and observations that evolved as a result of the examination were discussed with Messrs. M. Brown, J. Smith, and other members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Based on the results of the examinations, 9 of the 10 candidates passed all portions of the examination and were subsequently granted licenses. One SRO upgrade candidate, however, failed the written portion of the examination and was, thus, denied a license.

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No reply to this letter is required, but should you have any questions regarding this examination, please contact me at 610-337-5211.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

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Division of Reactor Safety

Docket No. 50-423

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