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Docket No. 50-271

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation
ATTN: Mr. Warren P. Murphy
Vice President and Manager
of Operations
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-271/84-23

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. G. Napuda of this office on October 15-19, 1984 at the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station and Yankee Atomic Electric Company corporate offices in Framingham, Massachusetts of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-28 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Napuda with Mr. J. Pelletier and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

The inspector also verified the steps you have taken to correct the violations brought to your attention in the enclosure to our letter dated September 30, 1983. We have no further questions regarding the steps you took to correct items A and B. Item C will be reviewed further after completion of the ongoing corrective action.

Within the scope of this inspection, no violations were observed.

However, based on our analysis of two unresolved items (271/84-23-02 and 04) detailed in the enclosed report, we have a safety concern that your Operational Quality Assurance Program does not address components and spare parts purchased prior to the initiation of shelf life controls that require such controls. You are requested to address our concern in a response to this letter and specifically state the actions you are taking, the proposed schedule for these actions, and the measures taken in the interim to preclude the use of spare parts or components containing spare parts subject to deterioration during storage.

The response requested by this letter is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
Stewart D. Ebnetter

for Thomas T. Martin, Director
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Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-271/84-23

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