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References: R. W. Starostecki letter to W. G. Counsil, dated April 16, 1984.

Gentlemen:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2 IE Inspection No. 50-336/84-03

Inspection No. 50-336/84-03 was conducted to assess the quality assurance program as applied to computer code development and use practices. Specifically, the inspector reviewed the use of the computer code RETRAN in licensing analyses.

No violations were identified by the inspector. However, several program weaknesses were noted as discussed in the referenced inspection report. It is important to point out that Northeast Utilities Service Company, on behalf of Northeast Nuclear Energy Company, initiated activities prior to the I&E inspection which identified and proposed corrective actions for the weaknesses noted in the inspection. These activities included a task force which was established to review the quality assurance program for control of Catagory I and Quality Related computer software and an in-depth audit by our QA organization of the activities associated with RETRAN.

NNECO hereby informs the Staff that new procedures for control of Category I and Quality Related computer software have been drafted. The new procedures were prepared with input from the task force and ANSI N45.2.11-1974 as well as other inhouse documents.

The principle purpose of this letter is to assure your awareness of our ongoing improvements in this area. These measures serve to confirm the continued acceptability of use of certain codes for analytical and licensing applications.

These actions can be discussed in more detail at your convenience if you desire.

Very truly yours,

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