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Docket No. 50-423
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Re: 10CFR50.90

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 3
Proposed Revision to Technical Specification
D. C. Sources (PTSCR 3-19-97)

Pursuant to 10CFR50.90, Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) hereby proposes to amend Operating License NPF-49 by incorporating the attached proposed revision into the Millstone Unit No. 3 Technical Specification Surveillance 4.8.2.1.c.4.

Description of Proposed Revision

Technical Specification Surveillance 4.8.2.1.c.4 requires that each battery charger be tested to verify that it can supply a specified current at 125 volts. This proposed revision will modify this surveillance by increasing the required test voltage. This provides assurance that the battery charger is capable of supplying the largest combined D.C. Bus loads, and the current required to recharge its discharged battery to its fully charged condition (capable of sustaining a design basis discharge) in less than 24 hours.

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Markup of Proposed Revision

A copy of the marked up Technical Specification page is contained in Attachment 2. The markup reflects the currently issued version of the Technical Specifications. Pending Technical Specification revisions or Technical Specification revisions issued subsequent to this submittal are not reflected in the enclosed markup.

Retype of Proposed Revision

A copy of the retyped Technical Specification page is contained in Attachment 3. The retyped page reflects the currently issued version of the Technical Specifications. Pending Technical Specification revisions or Technical Specification revisions issued

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subsequent to this submittal are not reflected in the enclosed retype. The enclosed retype should be checked for continuity with Technical Specifications prior to issuance.

Safety Assessment, Significant Hazards Consideration and Environmental Considerations

The Safety Assessment, Significant Hazards Consideration and Environmental Considerations that support this proposed revision are contained in Attachments 4 and 5.

Plant Operations Review Committee and Nuclear Safety Assessment Board Review

The Plant Operations Review Committee and the Nuclear Safety Assessment Board have reviewed this proposed amendment request and concur with the contained determinations.

State Notification

In accordance with 10CFR50.91(b), we are providing the State of Connecticut with a copy of this proposed amendment to ensure their awareness of this request.

Schedule Request for NRC Approval

NNECO requests NRC review and approval of this proposed revision by November 15, 1997, and that the license amendment be effective upon issuance with implementation within sixty (60) days.

If the NRC Staff should have any questions or comments regarding this submittal, please contact Mr. J. Peschel at (860) 437-5840.

Very truly yours,

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY

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Vice President - Millstone Unit No. 3

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 14th day of May, 1997

Date Commission Expires: 12/31/01

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Attachment 1

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NNECO's Commitments

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Enclosure
List of Regulatory Commitments

The following table identifies those actions committed to by NNECO in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by NNECO. They are described to the NRC for the NRC's information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the Manager - Nuclear Licensing at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 3 of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

Commitment	Committed Date or Outage
NONE	N/A