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SUBJECT: FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FINAL REPORT OF  
THE MARCH 19, 1997 FULL-PARTICIPATION EXERCISE AT VERMONT  
YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER STATION

Dear Mr. Reid:

Enclosed is a letter dated June 10, 1997, from Mr. Louis A. Elisa II, Regional Director for FEMA Region I, transmitting the final exercise report for the March 19, 1997, full-participation exercise at the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station.

One Deficiency and 25 Areas Requiring Corrective Action (ARCA's) were identified during this exercise. The Deficiency concerned the timeliness of the first alert and notification sequence between the State of Vermont and the town of Brattleboro. This Deficiency was remediated later in the exercise when subsequent siren activation sequences were completed within the required time period.

We request that your staff assist the appropriate off-site officials, where possible, to resolve the identified ARCA's prior to the next full-participation exercise, if this has not already been done.

No response to this letter is required. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (610) 337-5198.

Sincerely,

*Original Signed By  
Wm Lazarus / Jor*

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