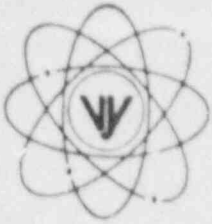


# VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION



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REPLY TO

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Reference: a) Generic Letter 88-02, dated 1/20/88

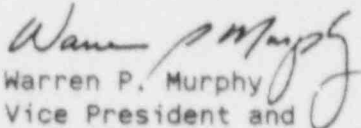
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the referenced Generic Letter, our response to your survey is attached.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION

  
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Vice President and  
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INTEGRATED SAFETY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (ISAP) II

Response Format to Generic Letter 88-02

Facility Name: Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station  
Utility: Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation  
Individual Contact Name: W.P. Murphy Phone Number: (802) 257-5271

An expression of interest will not be considered a commitment to participate on the part of the utility.

1. WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN ISAP II? IF SO, IN WHAT TIME FRAME?

Vermont Yankee is not interested in participating in ISAP II at this time; however, we are willing to review the results of utility participation in ISAP II and re-evaluate our position in the future.

2. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT AN INDUSTRY/NRC SEMINAR CONSISTING OF A BRIEF DISCUSSION BY NRC FOLLOWED BY A QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD WOULD BE BENEFICIAL PRIOR TO MAKING A DECISION?

Yes.

3. WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN A ONE-ON-ONE MEETING WITH NRC TO DISCUSS YOUR PARTICULAR FACILITY OR FACILITIES?

Vermont Yankee is not interested in such a meeting at this time; however, we would request such a meeting prior to any future decision to participate.

4. IF YOU REMAIN UNDECIDED REGARDING PARTICIPATION, WHAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DO YOU NEED IN ORDER TO MAKE A DECISION?

A clearer understanding of program scope and scheduler flexibilities associated with the process, including consideration of safety assessment issue identification and resolution sequence, based on options to a detailed PRA approach.

5. DO YOU HAVE ANY POTENTIAL CONCERNS ABOUT PARTICIPATING IN ISAP II?

Potential concerns include the requirement for, and process associated with, licensing the integrated schedule, as well as the associated regulatory implications and resources required to implement and maintain the program. The schedule delineated in Table 1 also appears to be very optimistic.

6. DO YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS FOR PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS OR CHANGES?

One suggestion for program improvement would be to develop a more descriptive model of the program which would clearly identify alternatives and options associated with the scope and process.