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Attn:

Mr. William T. Russell Regional Administrator

References:

- a) License No. DPR-28 (Docket No. 50-271)
- b) Letter, USNRC to All Holders of Operating Licenses or Construction Permits for Nuclear Power Reactors, NVY 88-035, NRC Bulletin No. 88-03, dated 3/10/88

Dear Sir:

Subject:

Vermont Yankee Response to NRC Bulletin No. 88-03: Inadequate Latch Engagement in HFA-Type Latching Relays Manufactured by General Electric (GE) Company

The subject bulletin [Reference b), requested that licensees perform inspections to ensure that all GE latching-type HFA relays installed in Class 1E (safety-related) applications have adequate latch engagement and that those relays which fail to meet acceptance criteria be repaired or replaced. Further, the bulletin requested that any addressee not having HFA-type latching relays subject to this bulletin provide a letter stating this fact within 120 days of receipt of the bulletin. Accordingly, Vermont Yankee's response is provided herein, pursuant to the provisions of Section 182a of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, including the provisions of 10CFR50.54(f).

Upon receipt of NRC Bulletin No. 88-03, Vermont Yankee initiated a review to determine whether GE latting-type HFA relays subject to this bulletin have been installed in Class 1E (safety-related) applications at the plant. This review concluded that no relays subject to this bulletin are used in any application at the Vermont Yankee station. Further, Vermont Yankee is not considering any future use of these relays.

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We trust this letter is fully responsive to the subject bulletin request; however, should you have any questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION

Warren P. Murphy Vice President and

Manager of Operations

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cc: USNRC, Document Control Desk (Original) USNRC Resident Inspector, VYNPC

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Then personally appeared before me, Warren P. Murphy, who, being duly sworn, did state that he is Vice President and Manager of Operations of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation, that he is duly authorized to execute and file the foregoing document in the name and on the behalf of Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation and that the statements therein are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Diane M. McCue

/ Notary Public

My Commission Expires February 10, 1991