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United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, DC 20555

Reference: (a) Letter, USNRC to VYNPC, NVY 97-166, dated November 24, 1997
(b) Letter, VYNPC to USNRC, BVY 96-07, dated February 8, 1996
(c) Letter, VYNPC to USNRC, BVY 96-81, dated June 21, 1996
(d) Letter, VYNPC to USNRC, BVY 96-83, dated June 26, 1996
(e) Letter, USNRC to VYNPC, NVY 95-110, dated August 17, 1995

Subject: Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station;
License No. DPR-28 (Docket No. 50-271)
Request for Additional Time to Respond to Request for Additional Information
(RAI) Regarding Generic Letter 95-07, "Pressure Locking and Thermal Binding of
Safety-Related Power-Operated Gate Valves"

This letter documents Vermont Yankee's request for a 30-day extension, to January 23, 1998, to respond to the NRC's November 24, 1997 request for additional information [Reference (a)], which resulted from the staff's review of our responses of February 8, June 21 and June 26, 1996 [References (b), (c) and (d)], to Generic Letter 95-07 [Reference (e)].

The additional time is necessary to accommodate a definitive evaluation of the RAI responses in concert with work being performed in support of the March 1998 refueling outage.

Should you have any questions with regard to this schedule extension, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

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