

Nicholas T. Antoun, Esq.  
Ropes & Gray  
One International Place  
Boston, MA 02110-2624

August 17, 1999

SUBJECT: PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION - WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION  
FOR THE INDIRECT TRANSFER OF THE FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE  
(TAC NO. MA5333)

Dear Mr. Antoun:

By application dated February 3, 1999, as supplemented May 27, 1999, Boston Edison Company sought approval of the indirect transfer of the Facility Operating License for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (Pilgrim) held by Boston Edison Company. The indirect transfer would have resulted from the planned formation of a new holding company, NSTAR, of which Commonwealth Energy System and BEC Energy, the parent company of Boston Edison Company, are to become wholly owned subsidiaries. Subsequently, by letter dated July 20, 1999, you withdrew the request. You noted that the approval is no longer needed since Boston Edison Company sold its interest in Pilgrim to Entergy Nuclear Generation Company on July 13, 1999, and is no longer the licensee for Pilgrim.

The Commission has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Approval of Indirect Transfer of the Facility Operating License for Pilgrim with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY:

Alan B. Wang, Project Manager, Section 2  
Project Directorate I  
Division of Licensing Project Management  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-293

Enclosure: Notice of Withdrawal

cc w/encl: See next page

DISTRIBUTION:

Docket	Public	PDI-2 r/f	EAdensam(EGA1)
JClifford	TClark	AWang	OGC
ACRS	CAnderson, RI		

Document Name: G:\PDI-2\Pilgrim\MA5333.WTD

OFFICE	PM:PDI-2	LA:PDI-2	OGC	SC:PDI-2
NAME	AWang/eh	TClark <i>TC</i>		JClifford <i>JC</i>
DATE	8/17/99	8/13/99	1/ /99	6/17/99
COPY	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO	YES/NO

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

*DFOI*

9908200155 990817  
PDR ADOCK 05000293  
P PDR

**NRC FILE CENTER COPY**



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

August 17, 1999

Nicholas T. Antoun, Esq.  
Ropes & Gray  
One International Place  
Boston, MA 02110-2624

SUBJECT: PILGRIM NUCLEAR POWER STATION - WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION  
FOR THE INDIRECT TRANSFER OF THE FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE  
(TAC NO. MA5333)

Dear Mr. Antoun:

By application dated February 3, 1999, as supplemented May 27, 1999, Boston Edison Company sought approval of the indirect transfer of the Facility Operating License for the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (Pilgrim) held by Boston Edison Company. The indirect transfer would have resulted from the planned formation of a new holding company, NSTAR, of which Commonwealth Energy System and BEC Energy, the parent company of Boston Edison Company, are to become wholly owned subsidiaries. Subsequently, by letter dated July 20, 1999, you withdrew the request. You noted that the approval is no longer needed since Boston Edison Company sold its interest in Pilgrim to Entergy Nuclear Generation Company on July 13, 1999, and is no longer the licensee for Pilgrim.

The Commission has filed the enclosed Notice of Withdrawal of Application for Approval of Indirect Transfer of the Facility Operating License for Pilgrim with the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alan Wang".

Alan B. Wang, Project Manager, Section 2  
Project Directorate I  
Division of Licensing Project Management  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-293

Enclosure: Notice of Withdrawal

cc w/encl: See next page

Boston Edison Company  
cc:

Mr. Theodore A. Sullivan  
Vice President Nuclear and Station  
Director  
Boston Edison Company  
Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station  
600 Rocky Hill Road  
Plymouth, MA 02360-5599

Resident Inspector  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station  
Post Office Box 867  
Plymouth, MA 02360-5599

Chairman, Board of Selectmen  
11 Lincoln Street  
Plymouth, MA 02360

Chairman, Duxbury Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
878 Tremont Street  
Duxbury, MA 02332

Office of the Commissioner  
Massachusetts Department of  
Environmental Protection  
One Winter Street  
Boston, MA 02108

Office of the Attorney General  
One Ashburton Place  
20th Floor  
Boston, MA 02108

Mr. Robert M. Hallisey, Director  
Radiation Control Program  
Massachusetts Department of  
Public Health  
305 South Street  
Boston, MA 02130

Regional Administrator, Region I  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
475 Allendale Road  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Mr. C. Stephen Brennon  
Regulatory Affairs Department Manager  
Boston Edison Company  
600 Rocky Hill Road  
Plymouth, MA 02360-5599

Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station

Mr. Jack F. Alexander  
Nuclear Assessment Group Manager  
Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station  
600 Rocky Hill Road  
Plymouth, MA 02360-5599

Mr. David F. Tarantino  
Nuclear Information Manager  
Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station  
600 Rocky Hill Road  
Plymouth, MA 02360-5599

Ms. Kathleen M. O'Toole  
Secretary of Public Safety  
Executive Office of Public Safety  
One Ashburton Place  
Boston, MA 02108

Mr. Peter LaPorte, Director  
Attn: James Muckerheide  
Massachusetts Emergency Management  
Agency  
400 Worcester Road  
P.O. Box 1496  
Framingham, MA 01701-0317

Chairman, Citizens Urging  
Responsible Energy  
P.O. Box 2621  
Duxbury, MA 02331

Citizens at Risk  
P.O. Box 3803  
Plymouth, MA 02361

John M. Fulton  
Assistant General Counsel  
800 Boylston St., P-361  
Boston, MA 02199

Chairman  
Nuclear Matters Committee  
Town Hall  
11 Lincoln Street  
Plymouth, MA 02360

Mr. William D. Meinert  
Nuclear Engineer  
Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale  
Electric Company  
P.O. Box 426  
Ludlow, MA 01056-0426

Mr. Ron Ledgett  
Executive Vice President  
Boston Edison Co.  
800 Boylston Street  
Boston, MA 02199

Ms. Mary Lampert, Director  
Massachusetts Citizens for Safe Energy  
148 Washington Street  
Duxbury, MA 02332