

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

March 9, 1987

MEMORANDUM TO:

Chairman Zech

FROM:

James K. Asselstine ---

SUBJECT:

COMLZ-87-11 - SECY-86-383, ENGINEERING EXPERTISE ON, SHIFT, NORTHEAST UTILITIES' HADDAM NECK AND MILLSTONE UNITS I & 2, AND FORT ST. VRAIN

We should not grant Northeast Utilities an exemption since there is no regulation from which to exempt them. A licensee need not seek exemptions from a policy statement. It is my understanding that Northeast must ask for license amendments so that its proposal will be in accord with its tech specs and license commitments. Northeast Utilities' proposed method of meeting the STA "requirement" appears to be adequate. I would have no objection to the staff beginning whatever process is necessary to permit the company to change its license commitments so that it may implement the proposed SPO/STA program.

cc: Commissioner Roberts
Commissioner Bernthal
Commissioner Carr
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