

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Vanessa Quinn, Acting Chief State and Local Regulatory Evaluation and Assessment Branch Federal Emergency Management Agency 500 C Street, S.W. Washington D.C. 20472

SUBJECT: EXEMPTION OF HADDAM NECK PLANT FROM OFFSITE EMERGENCY

PLANNING REQUIREMENTS

Dear Ms. Quinn:

This is to notify you that on August 28, 1998, the NRC granted an exemption to Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company (the licensee) from certain sections of 10 CFR 50 concerning emergency response planning, thereby allowing the licensee to discontinue offsite emergency planning activities and reduce the scope of its onsite planning at the Haddam Neck Plant. A copy of the exemption is enclosed. The NRC has also approved the Haddam Neck Plant Defueled Emergency Plan which reflects the shutdown and defueled condition of the plant.

The facility, which is located at the licensee's site in Middlesex County, Connecticut, is a permanently shut down pressurized-water reactor. By letter dated December 5, 1996, the licensee submitted written certification that the licensee's Board of Directors had decided to permanently cease operation of the Haddam Neck Plant and that fuel had been permanently removed from the reactor.

In light of the exemption granted to the licensee, the NRC no longer requires FEMA to monitor, review, or report on offsite radiological emergency planning and preparedness activities at the Haddam Neck Plant. Emergency planning and preparedness can be limited to onsite activities, simple notification to offsite authorities, and training for offsite personnel who may need to respond onsite (e.g., fire, ambulance, and law enforcement personnel).

Please notify the State and local governments that the offsite emergency plans and preparedness will no longer be required for the Haddam Neck Plant. Should you need more information on this matter please contact Mr. Daniel M. Barss of my staff at 301-415-2922.

Sincerely.

Charles L. Miller, Chief

Emergency Preparedness and Radiation Protection Branch

Division of Reactor Program Management Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Enclosures: As stated