

NorthStar Vermont Yankee, LLC

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station 320 Governor Hunt Rd. Vernon, VT 05354 802-451-5354

> Billy E. Reid, Jr. Site Vice President

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BVY 22-030

December 30, 2021

ATTN: Document Control Desk U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001

SUBJECT: Documentary Evidence of Performance Bond

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station

Docket Nos. 50-271 and 72-59

License No. DPR-28

REFERENCE: Letter, USNRC to Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., "Order Approving

Transfer of the License for the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station and

Conforming License Amendment (EPID# L-2017-LLM-0002)," dated

October 11, 2018 (ML18242A638)

Dear Sir or Madam:

By letter dated October 11, 2018 (Reference), the USNRC transmitted an Order that provided consent to the direct and indirect transfer of the Vermont Yankee (VY) license from Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. and Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, to NorthStar Nuclear Decommissioning Company, LLC (NDC). The third of the three conditions of the Order state the following:

Performance Bond

NorthStar Vermont Yankee, LLC shall obtain a performance bond if a Settlement Agreement with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), on DOE reimbursements for spent fuel management expenses, is not entered into by January 1, 2022. The performance bond will be effective January 1, 2022, initially in the amount of \$4.3 million, and it will be renewed annually. This amount covers the annual amount of Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) operation and maintenance (O&M) costs projected for 2022-2024. If a settlement is not reached by January 1, 2024, this amount will be increased to \$9.3 million, which covers the annual amount of ISFSI O&M costs projected for years after 2024.

In accordance with the subject condition of the Order, Northstar Vermont Yankee hereby submits documentary evidence that a performance bond in the amount of \$4.3 million has been obtained, effective January 1, 2023. Documentary evidence of the performance bond is contained in the Attachment to this letter.

Billy C. Reid, Jr.

This letter contains no new regulatory commitments.

Should you have any questions concerning this letter or require additional information, please contact Mr. Thomas B. Silko at 802-451-5354, Ext 2506.

Sincerely,

BER/tbs

Attachment: Documentary Evidence of Performance Bond

cc: Director, Office of Material Safety and Safeguards U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Regional Administrator, Region 1 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 475 Allendale Rd, Suite 102 King of Prussia, PA 19406

Commissioner Vermont Department of Public Service 112 State Street – Drawer 20 Montpelier, Vermont 05602-2601

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<u>Attachment</u>

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station

Documentary Evidence of Performance Bond (1 page excluding this cover sheet)

CONTINUATION CERTIFICATE

Premium Amount: \$64,500.00

The <u>Everest Reinsurance Company</u> (hereinafter called the Surety) hereby continues in force its Bond No. <u>ES00010335</u> in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$4,300,000.00) Dollars, on

behalf of NorthStar Nuclear Decommissioning Company, LLC

in favor of NorthStar Vermont Yankee, LLC

in connection with License & Permit Bond

subject to all the conditions and terms thereof through <u>December 19, 2023</u> at location of risk.

This Continuation is executed upon the express condition that the Surety's liability shall not be cumulative and shall be limited at all times by the amount of the penalty stated in the bond.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Surety has caused this instrument to be signed by its duly authorized Attorney-in-Fact and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 19th day of December, 2022.

NorthStar Nuclear Decommissioning Company, LLC 320 Governor Hunt Road, Vernon, VT 05354

Principal

Everest Reinsurance Company

100 Everest Way, Warren, NJ 07059

Surety

Katherine Acosta, Attorney-in-Fact