



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

May 6, 1992

Docket No. 50-286

Mr. Ralph E. Beedle
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Generation
Power Authority of the State of
New York
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Dear Mr. Beedle:

SUBJECT: EXEMPTIONS FROM 10 CFR 50.46(a)(1)(i), 10 CFR 50.44(a), AND
APPENDIX K TO 10 CFR PART 50 - INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING
UNIT NO. 3 (TAC NO. M82567)

By letter dated January 8, 1992, as supplemented February 26, 1992, you requested an amendment to the Technical Specifications (TS) and exemptions to several Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) requirements for the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3. The amendment and the exemptions are needed to allow use of ZIRLO™ clad fuel in the reactor instead of Zircaloy clad fuel as specified in the TS and CFR. You intend on refueling with ZIRLO™ clad fuel during the Cycle 8/9 refueling outage in June 1992.

The Commission has issued an exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 50.46(a)(1)(i), 10 CFR 50.44(a), and Appendix K to 10 CFR Part 50, regarding the use of ZIRLO™ clad fuel. The exemptions are necessary before the staff can issue the TS amendment you requested. Please note that the TS amendment you requested in your letter of January 8, 1992, as supplemented February 26, 1992, must be issued before the ZIRLO™ clad fuel can be loaded into the Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 3 reactor.

A copy of the enclosed Exemption has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:
Exemption

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