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Docket No. 50-336

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Re: 10CFR50.90

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2
Withdrawal of Proposed Change to Technical Specifications
Definition of Core Alteration (TAC 79013)

In a letter dated June 26, 1990,⁽¹⁾ Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) submitted a proposed change to the Millstone Unit No. 2 Technical Specifications to change the definition of "Core Alteration" to resolve the potential for differing interpretations and conform to the Combustion Engineering Owners Group (CEOG) Revised Standard Technical Specifications (RSTS) program definition.

Subsequent to Reference (1), and after several discussions with the NRC Staff focusing around the reluctance of the Staff to expand resources to review and approve the proposed Technical Specification change, NNECO submitted a letter to the Staff dated October 30, 1990.⁽²⁾ This letter documented the mutually agreed upon approach of changing the Bases section of Millstone Unit No. 2 Technical Specifications pursuant to 10CFR50.59 and the events leading up to that resolution.

In a letter dated December 18, 1990,⁽³⁾ the NRC Staff acknowledged the Bases change under 10CFR50.59 as an acceptable method of removing components from

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- (1) E. J. Mroccka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2, Proposed Change to Technical Specifications, Definition of Core Alteration," dated June 26, 1990.
 - (2) E. J. Mroccka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2, Technical Specification Bases Changes per 10CFR50.59," dated October 30, 1990.
 - (3) G. S. Vissing letter to E. J. Mroccka, "Millstone Unit No. 2--Change Technical Specification Basis on In-core Detectors and Pressure Temperature Limits (TAC 79013)," December 18, 1990.

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the definition of "Core Alteration" without making changes to the Technical Specifications.

Since this issue is now resolved, NNECO hereby withdraws the aforementioned application for this license amendment change.

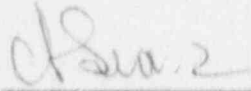
Please contact us if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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