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Re: GL 89-19

USI A-47

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

Gentlemen:

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2  
Response to Generic Letter 89-19  
Request for Action Related to Resolution  
of Unresolved Safety Issue A-47

In a letter dated September 20, 1989,<sup>(1)</sup> the NRC Staff issued Generic Letter 89-19, "Request for Action Related to Resolution of Unresolved Safety Issue A-47." Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) and Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company (CYAPCO) responded to the generic letter (GL) on March 27, 1990,<sup>(2)</sup> for Millstone Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3 and the Haddam Neck Plant, respectively. In our March 27, 1990 letter, NNECO committed to respond to Items (4)(a) and (4)(b) for Millstone Unit No. 2 by March 31, 1991.

Items (4)(a) and (4)(b) of the GL concerned automatic steam generator overfill protection for Combustion Engineering (CE) plants and changes to plant procedures and technical specifications for CE plants, respectively. In a meeting with the Combustion Engineering Owners Group (CEOG) in Rockville, Maryland, on November 20, 1990, the NRC Staff heard the CEOG's request to consider the CEOG analysis of overfill protection as a basis for not implementing the GL recommendations and accept the analysis as the justification for resolution of GL 89-19. The NRC Staff concluded at the time that it would

- (1) J. G. Partlow letter to All Licensees of Operating Reactors, Applicants for Operating Licenses, and Holders of Construction permits for Light Water Reactor Nuclear Power Plants, "Request for Action Related to Resolution of Unresolved Safety Issue A-47, 'Safety Implication of Control Systems in LWR Nuclear Power Plants' Pursuant to 10CFR50.54(f) - Generic Letter 89-19," dated September 20, 1989.
- (2) E. J. Mroczka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Response to Generic Letter 89-19--Request for Action Related to Resolution of Unresolved Safety Issue A-47," dated March 27, 1990.

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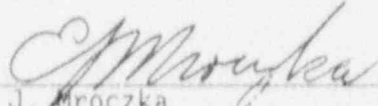
review and evaluate the information presented by the CEOG. The Staff further concluded that plant-specific responses to the GL regarding overfill protection should be provided to the Staff 30 days after the issuance of the NRC evaluation of the CEOG analysis.

In light of the foregoing, NNECO hereby states the intention of submitting our response for Millstone Unit No. 2 to Items (4)(a) and (4)(b) of GL 89-19, 30 days after the NRC Staff evaluation of the CEOG analysis of overfill protection is issued. We respectfully request the Staff to inform NNECO directly upon completion of this evaluation.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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