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Re: 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(v)

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Washington, D.C. 20555

Reference: Facility Operating License No. DPR-65
Docket No. 50-336
Licensee Event Report 92-015-00

Gentlemen:

This letter forwards Licensee Event Report 92-015-00 required to be submitted within thirty (30) days pursuant to 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(v).

Very truly yours,

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY

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Attachment: LER 92-015-00

cc: T. T. Martin, Region I Administrator
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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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FACILITY NAME (1) Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit 2

DOCKET NUMBER (2) 0 5 0 0 0 3 3 6 1 OF 12

TITLE (4) Spec 200 Cabinets Seismic Qualification

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)									
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LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single-space typewritten lines) (16)

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The licensee purchased SPEC 200 instrument nests and modules separately over the years and assembled them at the site. The vendor shipped the seismic bumpers with the equipment. Vendor manuals were included in the original cabinet purchase but at that time, the vendor had not included bumper installation instructions for safety related components. The seismic test report stated that modifications had to be made for the equipment to be seismically qualified. Since the instructions did not specify bumper installation, it was assumed that any necessary modifications to the equipment had been made by the vendor prior to shipment.

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<p>II. <u>Cause of Event</u></p> <p>The root cause of the event was lack of adequate vendor instruction to install seismic bumpers when cards are added to the cabinets by the user.</p>													
<p>III. <u>Analysis of Event</u></p> <p>This event is being reported pursuant to the requirements of 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(v), a condition that could have prevented the fulfillment of the safety function of safety related systems. There were no safety concerns since the equipment in the cabinets did not become disabled as a result of a seismic event. Examination revealed that between the ten SPEC 200 cabinets installed in the MP2 Control Room, approximately 400 bumpers were missing. These missing bumpers had the potential to affect the function of the associated SPEC 200 cards during a seismic event since there is no test documentation that shows the cards would be unaffected without the bumpers installed. Early (1973) Foxboro vibration testing on a rack assembly found card deflection and component damage with 2 g's at 25 Hz. However, the MP2 seismic response spectra is well below these levels.</p>													
<p>IV. <u>Corrective Action</u></p> <p>All of the equipment located in the cabinets was inspected to determine how many seismic bumpers were missing. The bumpers have been ordered and will be installed prior to startup from the 1992 Refueling Outage. In addition, a Technical Bulletin has been prepared to inform the appropriate departments of this issue.</p>													
<p>V. <u>Additional Information</u></p> <p>None</p>													