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Re: 10CFR50.71(a)

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

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3  
Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-21, DPR-65, and NPF-49  
Monthly Operating Reports

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In accordance with the reporting requirements of Technical Specification Sections 6.9.1.6, 6.9.1.7, and 6.9.1.5 for Millstone Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3, respectively, enclosed are the monthly operating reports for the month of October 1996.

Each Millstone Unit has recently chosen to redefine the nature of their continued shutdowns, due to the fact that the Units are classified as Category III facilities which require NRC approval to restart. Also, the NRC has issued a Confirmatory Order requiring implementation of an Independent Corrective Action Verification Program, and has issued an Order requiring a third-party review of the Employee Concerns Program at Millstone Station. This redefinition will affect some of the cumulative totals for forced shutdown rates in this report, and several other reports dating back to January 1996. Previous reports may need to be revised to reflect this change in definition of the continued shutdowns. Any revised reports will be forwarded to the Staff in the next monthly operating report, to be submitted no later than December 15, 1996.

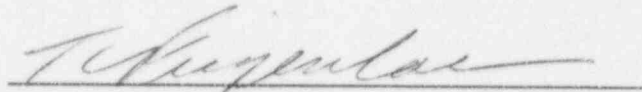
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