



State of Connecticut
NUCLEAR ENERGY ADVISORY COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVE TERRY CONCANNON
Co-Chair
EVAN WOOLLACOTT
Co-Chair

Room 4035
Legislative Office Building
Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

November 12, 1996

The Honorable Shirley Ann Jackson
Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-001

Dear Dr. Jackson:

We look forward to receiving your response to our letter of October 22, having received acknowledgment of its receipt from Mr. John Hoyle, Secretary of the Commission, dated November 1, 1996.

In the meantime, time being of the essence, the Nuclear Energy Advisory Council (NEAC) approved a subcommittee at our November 7 meeting which will assess the 'independence' aspect of the Independent Corrective Action Verification Program. The subcommittee will assess both the independence of the selection process as performed by Northeast Utilities (NU) and that of the selected contractor. A report will then be submitted to the NEAC with copies to NU and the NRC.

The NEAC has been informed regarding the October 24th order issued by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, 'REQUIRING INDEPENDENT, THIRD-PARTY OVERSIGHT OF NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION OF MILLSTONE STATION EMPLOYEES' SAFETY CONCERNS.' With the approval of our council members, we respectfully request that the NEAC be included with the NRC and the Licensee as a party to which the independent third-party reports on at least a quarterly basis, the results of its oversight activities, including all findings and recommendations (IV.2). This is an important component in enabling us to carry out our statutory charge to advise the Governor, the General Assembly and the municipalities within a five-mile radius of any nuclear power generating facility in Connecticut of issues relating to its safety and operation.

We thank you and your staff for the assistance which you have given us in order to support the NEAC in our endeavors, and we await your response to these matters.

For the Nuclear Energy Advisory Council

Terry Concannon
Co-Chair

Evan W. Woollacott
Co-Chair

Ref. G960828

Miraglia, NRR

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
CORRESPONDENCE CONTROL TICKET

cys: Taylor
Milhoan
Thompson

PAPER NUMBER: CRC-96-1166

LOGGING DATE: Nov 19 96

ACTION OFFICE: EDO

Blaha
Bangart, SP
HMiller, RI

AUTHOR: T CONCANNON & E WOOLLACOT
AFFILIATION: CONNECTICUT

ADDRESSEE: CHAIRMAN JACKSON

LETTER DATE: Nov 12 96 FILE CODE:

*WT -
We will
prob. get for
action.*

SUBJECT: INDEPENDENCE ASPECT OF THE INDEPENDENT CORRECTIVE
ACTION VERIFICATION PROGRAM

ACTION: Appropriate

DISTRIBUTION: CHAIRMAN

SPECIAL HANDLING: NONE

CONSTITUENT:

NOTES:

DATE DUE:

SIGNATURE:
AFFILIATION:

DATE SIGNED:



State of Connecticut
NUCLEAR ENERGY ADVISORY COUNCIL

REPRESENTATIVE TERRY CONCANNON
Co-Chair
EVAN WOOLLACOTT
Co-Chair

Room 4035
Legislative Office Building
Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106

November 12, 1996

The Honorable Shirley Ann Jackson
Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-001

Dear Dr. Jackson:

We look forward to receiving your response to our letter of October 22, having received acknowledgment of its receipt from Mr. John Hoyle, Secretary of the Commission, dated November 1, 1996.

In the meantime, time being of the essence, the Nuclear Energy Advisory Council (NEAC) approved a subcommittee at our November 7 meeting which will assess the 'independence' aspect of the Independent Corrective Action Verification Program. The subcommittee will assess both the independence of the selection process as performed by Northeast Utilities (NU) and that of the selected contractor. A report will then be submitted to the NEAC with copies to NU and the NRC.

The NEAC has been informed regarding the October 24th order issued by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, 'REQUIRING INDEPENDENT, THIRD-PARTY OVERSIGHT OF NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION OF MILLSTONE STATION EMPLOYEES' SAFETY CONCERNS.' With the approval of our council members, we respectfully request that the NEAC be included with the NRC and the Licensee as a party to which the independent third-party reports on at least a quarterly basis, the results of its oversight activities, including all findings and recommendations (IV.2). This is an important component in enabling us to carry out our statutory charge to advise the Governor, the General Assembly and the municipalities within a five-mile radius of any nuclear power generating facility in Connecticut of issues relating to its safety and operation.

We thank you and your staff for the assistance which you have given us in order to support the NEAC in our endeavors, and we await your response to these matters.

For the Nuclear Energy Advisory Council

Terry Concannon
Co-Chair

Evan W. Woollacott
Co-Chair