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

Haddam Neck Plant
Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 1, 2 and 3
Response to Generic Letter 96-05
Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of
Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves

In a letter dated September 18, 1996⁽¹⁾, the NRC transmitted Generic Letter (GL) 96-05, "Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves." The NRC requested that licensees submit a letter within 60 days of the date of the GL indicating whether the requested actions of the GL will be implemented, and provide the schedule for implementation. In response to the requested actions of the GL, programs will be established to verify on a periodic basis that the active safety-related Motor Operated Valves (MOV) continue to be capable of performing their safety function within the current licensing basis.

The schedules for implementation of the GL requested actions for Millstone Unit Nos. 1, 2, and 3, and Haddam Neck Plant are as follows:

⁽¹⁾ T. T. Martin letter dated September 18, 1996, NRC Generic Letter 96-05, "Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves"

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Millstone Unit No. 1

Millstone Unit No. 1 will begin implementation of a MOV periodic verification program no later than Refueling Outage (RFO) 16. Millstone Unit No. 1 will submit a summary description of the MOV periodic verification program, to be established in accordance with the GL requested actions, to the NRC within 180 days from the date of the GL, or upon notification to the NRC of completion of GL 89-10 (whichever is later). The implementation schedule of the periodic verification program will be provided in this submittal. (It is noted that the remaining GL 89-10 testing activities are scheduled to be completed during the current extended RFO15.)

Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3

Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will begin implementation of a MOV periodic verification program no later than RFO13 and RFO6, respectively. The implementation schedule of the periodic verification program will be provided in the 180 day submittal for each unit.

Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will submit a summary description of the MOV periodic verification program, to be established in accordance with the GL requested actions, to the NRC within 180 days from the date of the GL (i.e., March 17, 1997). A description of the MOV periodic verification program for Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 was provided to the NRC in letters dated November 22, 1995⁽²⁾ and October 6, 1995⁽³⁾, respectively, in support of GL 89-10 closure. Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will re-evaluate and make the appropriate changes to the periodic verification program provided to the NRC in these submittals as a result of the recommendations contained in GL 96-05.

Haddam Neck Plant

At the present time, the decision to restart the Haddam Neck Plant is on hold pending a final decision by the joint owners. No further actions are planned for the Haddam Neck Plant at the present time in response to the GL until a decision is made with regard to plant restart. A letter will be submitted to the NRC within 180 days providing a status of Haddam Neck Plant's plan for responding to the GL (i.e., March 17, 1997).

(2) S. E. Scace letter to U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission dated November 22, 1995, "Closure of Generic Letter 89-10," Millstone Unit No. 2

(3) E. A DeBarba letter to U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission dated October 6, 1995, "Closure of Generic Letter 89-10," Millstone Unit No. 3

Commitments

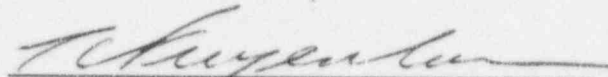
The following are the commitments associated with this letter:

- B15971-1 Millstone Unit No. 1 will begin implementation of a MOV periodic verification program in accordance with the requested actions of GL 96-05 no later than RFO16.
- B15971-2 Millstone Unit No. 2 will begin implementation of a MOV periodic verification program in accordance with the requested actions of GL 96-05 no later than RFO13.
- B15971-3 Millstone Unit No. 3 will begin implementation of a MOV periodic verification program in accordance with the requested actions of GL 96-05 no later than RFO6.
- B15971-4 Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will submit a summary description of the MOV periodic verification program, to be established in accordance with the GL requested actions, to the NRC within 180 days from the date of the GL (i.e., March 17, 1997). The implementation schedule of the periodic verification program will be provided in these submittals. Millstone Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will re-evaluate and make the appropriate changes to the periodic verification program provided to the NRC in support of GL 89-10 closure considering the recommendations contained in GL 96-05.
- B15971-5 Millstone Unit No. 1 will submit a summary description of the MOV periodic verification program, to be established in accordance with the GL requested actions, to the NRC within 180 days from the date of the GL, or upon notification to the NRC of completion of GL 89-10 (whichever is later). The implementation schedule of the periodic verification program will be provided in this submittal.
- B15971-6 Haddam Neck Plant will submit a letter within 180 days of the date of the GL providing a status of the plan for responding to the requested actions of the GL (i.e., March 17, 1997).

Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact
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Very truly yours,

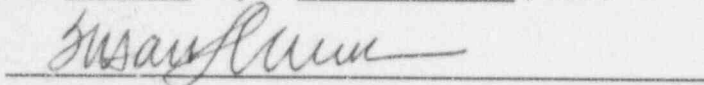
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Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 15th day of November, 1996



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