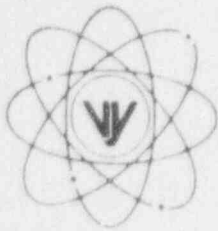


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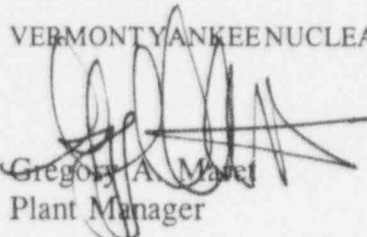
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In accordance with section 6.7.A.3 of the Vermont Yankee Technical Specifications, submitted herewith is the Monthly Statistical Report for the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station for the month of March, 1997.

Sincerely,

VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION


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VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER STATION

MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT 97-03

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1997

OPERATING DATA REPORT

DOCKET NO. 50-271
 DATE 970410
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OPERATING STATUS

1. Unit Name: Vermont Yankee
2. Reporting Period: March
3. Licensed Thermal Power(MWt): 1593
4. Nameplate Rating(Gross MWe): 540
5. Design Electrical Rating(Net MWe): 522
6. Maximum Dependable Capacity(Gross MWe): 535
7. Maximum Dependable Capacity(Net MWe): 510
8. If changes, occur in capacity ratings(Items Number 3 through 7) since last report, give reasons:

9. Power level to which restricted, if any(Net MWe): N/A
10. Reasons for restrictions, if any: N/A

	This Month	Yr-to-Date	Cumulative
11. Hours in Reporting Period	744.00	2160.00	213288.00
12. Number Of Hours Reactor was Critical	744.00	2160.00	177126.60
13. Reactor Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.00	0.00	0.00
14. Hours Generator On-Line	744.00	2160.00	173833.00
15. Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours	0.00	0.00	0.00
16. Gross Thermal Energy Generated(MWH)	1181657.40	3431882.20	261079015.50
17. Gross Electrical Energy Generated	407800.00	1184940.00	87236362.00
18. Net Electrical Energy Generated(MWH)	392222.00	1139822.00	82955711.00
19. Unit Service Factor	100.00	100.00	81.50
20. Unit Availability Factor	100.00	100.00	81.50
21. Unit Capacity Factor(Using MDC Net)	103.40	103.50	76.50
22. Unit Capacity Factor(Using DER Net)	101.00	101.10	75.00
23. Unit Forced Outage Rate	0.00	0.00	4.55
24. Shutdowns scheduled over next 6 months(Type, Date, and Duration of Each: <u>N/A</u>			

25. If shut down at end of report period, estimated date of startup: N/A
26. Units In Test Status(prior to commercial operation): N/A

INITIAL CRITICALITY
 INITIAL ELECTRICITY
 COMMERCIAL OPERATION

Forecast Achieved

AVERAGE DAILY UNIT POWER LEVEL

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DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)	DAY	AVERAGE DAILY POWER LEVEL (MWe-Net)
1.	<u>529</u>	17.	<u>529</u>
2.	<u>529</u>	18.	<u>529</u>
3.	<u>529</u>	19.	<u>529</u>
4.	<u>529</u>	20.	<u>529</u>
5.	<u>528</u>	21.	<u>529</u>
6.	<u>527</u>	22.	<u>528</u>
7.	<u>528</u>	23.	<u>529</u>
8.	<u>529</u>	24.	<u>528</u>
9.	<u>529</u>	25.	<u>528</u>
10.	<u>529</u>	26.	<u>528</u>
11.	<u>492</u>	27.	<u>528</u>
12.	<u>528</u>	28.	<u>528</u>
13.	<u>528</u>	29.	<u>528</u>
14.	<u>528</u>	30.	<u>528</u>
15.	<u>528</u>	31.	<u>528</u>
16.	<u>528</u>		

INSTRUCTIONS:

On this format, list the average daily unit power level in MWE-Net for each day in the reporting month. Compute to the nearest whole megawatt.

UNIT SHUTDOWNS AND POWER REDUCTIONS

REPORT MONTH MARCH

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No.	Date	1 Type	Duration (hours)	2 Reason	3 Method of Shutting Down Reactor	License Event Report #	4 System Code	5 Component Code	Cause and Corrective Action to Prevent Recurrence
97-03	970311	S	0.00	B, *H	N/A	N/A	RB	CONROD	Turbine Bypass Valve, MSIV Full Closure Tests and Rod Pattern Exchange

1 F: Forced
S: Scheduled

2 Reason:
A-Equipment Failure (Explain)
B-Maintenance or Test
C-Refueling
D-Regulatory Restriction
E-Operator Training and
License Examination
F-Administrative
G-Operational Error (Explain)
*H-(Explain) - Rod Pattern Exchange

3 Method:
1 - Manual
2 - Manual Scram
3 - Automatic Scram
4 - Other (Explain)

4 Exhibit G- Instructions
for Preparation of Data
Entry Sheets for License
Event Report (LER) File
(NUREG 0161)

5 Exhibit I - Same Source

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REPORT MONTH March

SUMMARY OF OPERATING EXPERIENCES

Highlights

Vermont Yankee operated at 99.7% of rated thermal power for the month. Gross electrical generation was 407,800 MWh or 100.4% design electrical capacity.

Operating Summary

The following is a chronological description of plant operations including other pertinent items of interest for the month:

At the beginning of the reporting period the plant was operating at 99.9% of rated thermal power.

970311 At 0902 hours, initiated a power reduction to less than 80%, to perform turbine bypass valve and MSIV full closure tests, and a rod pattern exchange. (See Unit Shutdowns and Power Reductions)

970311 At 1018 hours, power at 70%, initiated turbine bypass valve and MSIV full closure testing.

970311 At 1056 hours, completed turbine bypass valve and MSIV full closure testing.

970311 At 1100 hours, initiated a rod pattern exchange.

970311 At 1212 hours, completed the rod pattern exchange and began a return to full power.

At the end of the reporting period the plant was operating at 99.9% of rated thermal power.