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Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3
Millstone Unit No. 3 Readiness-for Restart Schedule

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO), in a letter dated February 14, 1997, provided the NRC Staff with the schedule for the completion of Millstone Unit No. 3 Group 1 and Group 2 systems' System Specific Assessment (SSAs). Additionally, NNECO committed to keep the NRC informed on our progress.

The purpose of this letter is to update the information contained in our February 14, 1997 letter. The current schedule has one-half of the Group 1 systems' SSAs planned for completion in May 1997, and the completion of the review of these SSAs by our Nuclear Oversight Organization by May 26, 1997. The additional time is required due to administrative delays in the preparation of the matrices which make up the SSA framework. The current schedule indicates that the Independent Corrective Action Verification Program will begin on May 27, 1997. Although our present schedule reflects the remaining Group 1 and Group 2 systems' SSAs are scheduled to be completed by mid-July 1997, the lessons learned from the completion of the initial SSAs will be evaluated and the schedule revised if required.

We are continuing to evaluate the impact of items identified during discovery on our schedule and will continue to provide periodic updates on our progress.

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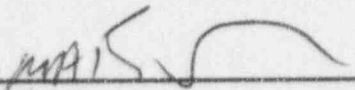
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Very truly yours,

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Attachment 1

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 3
NNECO's Commitments

April 1997

Enclosure
List of Regulatory Commitments

The following table identifies those actions committed to by NNECO in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by NNECO. They are described to the NRC for the NRC's information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the Manager - Nuclear Licensing at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit No. 3 of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

Commitment		Committed Date or Outage
B16118-1	Completion of one-half of the System Specific Assessment (SSAs) for Group 1 systems.	May 1997