

September 8, 1978

Note to: Alfred Burger, Project Manager
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RE: YANKEE ROWE PROPOSED INCREASE IN SPENT FUEL STORAGE
CAPACITY

Pursuant to your request, this will confirm that items in Supplement 2 of licensee's submittal relating to installation of temporary gate support brackets to facilitate upgrading of the spent fuel pool and which have a utility independent of the proposed expansion in spent fuel storage capacity may be approved after notice of the proposed increase in spent fuel storage capacity at the Yankee Rowe facility is published in the Federal Register.

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Note to: *Bruce Berson, Attorney*
Office of the ELD

9/11/78

Re: *same subject as above*

This confirms your specific clarification given me on 9/11/78 in connection with your above memo. Namely, that issuance of an amendment authorizing Supplement 2 work before expiration of the period of notice of Yankee's planned fuel storage expansion is acceptable to ELD.

c.c. D.L. Ziemann

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSIONDOCKET NO. 50-29YANKEE ATOMIC ELECTRIC COMPANYNOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT
TO OPERATING LICENSE*attach
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The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Operating License No. DPR-3 issued to the Yankee Atomic Electric Company (the licensee) for operation of the Yankee Rowe Nuclear Power Station (the facility), located in Franklin County, Massachusetts, in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment and Supplements 1 and 2 thereto, all dated July 13, 1978. The licensee will submit additional detailed design information to the Commission for further review.

The proposed amendments would (1) authorize modifications designed to upgrade certain ~~improvements~~ ^{to enhance safety} features of the spent fuel pool and enclosure building which include installation of a stainless steel liner and permanent division wall in the spent fuel pool and (2) increase the authorized spent fuel storage capacity of the spent fuel pool from 391 fuel assemblies to 721 assemblies by installing additional racks by January, 1984.

The Commission's staff has determined that the modifications described in item (1) above have a utility independent of the proposed increase in spent fuel storage capacity. Accordingly, staff review of this item is proceeding