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Ladies & Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Hope Creek Generating Station (H.C.) Docket No. 50-354 -- Request for Change to Technical Specifications (TS) -- Fuel Vendor Change

On September 30, 1999, Public Service Electric & Gas Company (PSE&G) submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) the subject request for revisions in the Technical Specifications (TS) of the Hope Creek Generating Station (HC).

The proposed revisions are necessitated in support of the use by the licensee of a new nuclear fuel vendor, Asea Brown Boveri/Combustion Engineering (ABB/CE), in its operations.

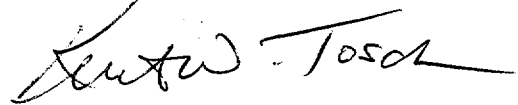
The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJ DEP) Bureau of Nuclear Engineering (BNE) has reviewed the change request per requirements of 10 CFR 50.91(b) and has no comments.

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If you have any questions, please contact Richard Pinney at (609) 984-7558.

Sincerely,

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