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

**Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 2 and 3
Supplemental Response to Request for Additional Information
Regarding the Generic Letter 96-05 Program (TAC Nos. M97068 and M97069)**

On August 30, 1999, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued a safety evaluation of the Millstone Unit No. 2 response to Generic Letter (GL) 96-05, "Periodic Verification of Design-Basis Capability of Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valves." A subsequent telephone conference on October 20, 1999, between Northeast Nuclear Energy Company (NNECO) and the NRC completed NNECO's review of that safety evaluation. As discussed during the telephone conference this letter documents a commitment that maintains the GL 96-05 program consistent with the three phases of the Joint Owners Group (JOG) Program on Motor-Operated Valve (MOV) Periodic Verification (PV). In making the commitment, this letter supplements the information provided by NNECO in responses to two NRC requests for additional information, NRC letters dated March 18 and March 23, 1999, regarding the GL 96-05 program for Unit Nos. 2 and 3.

NNECO submittals dated May 24, 1999, and May 28, 1999, responded to the two NRC requests for additional information. The letters described an exception to the JOG program where NNECO could initially follow the interim static test frequency and, based on information obtained from static testing combined with information from the JOG, increase or decrease the final test frequencies as necessary. This letter withdraws that exception in order to align our response with the recent issuance of the NRC safety evaluation. NNECO's commitment in this letter to maintain the GL 96-05 program consistent with the three phases of the JOG program is subject to controls associated with the station Regulatory Commitment Management Program. In this way any future changes that cause the GL 96-05 program at the station to significantly deviate from the JOG PV program will be appropriately evaluated for implications to the

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licensing basis for the program and any necessary notification associated with these types of changes to the commitment would be made to the NRC at that time.

The regulatory commitments contained in this letter are located in Attachment 1.

Should you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Mr. David W. Dodson at (860) 447-1791, extension 2346.

Very truly yours,

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY



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Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 14 day of March, 2000

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Date Commission Expires: Nov. 30, 2001

Attachment (1)

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Attachment 1

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 2 and 3

List Regulatory Commitments

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List of Regulatory Commitments

The following table identifies actions committed to by NNECO in this document.

Number	Commitment	Due
B18013-01	Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit Nos. 2 and 3 will maintain the station GL 96-05 program consistent with the three phases of the Joint Owners Group (JOG) Program on Motor-Operated Valve (MOV) Periodic Verification (PV). This commitment is explicitly credited as a basis for a safety decision in an NRC safety evaluation of the Millstone Unit No. 2 response to GL 96-05, issued on August 30, 1999. The station GL 96-05 program will be annotated to include reference to this commitment and the NRC safety evaluation of the Millstone Unit 2 response to GL 96-05 by July 31, 2000.	July 31, 2000