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Re: 10CFR 50.73(a)(2)(v)(C) 10CFR 50.73(a)(2)(v)(C)

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This letter forwards Licensee Event Report 96-032-00, documenting a condition that was determined at Millstone Unit No. 3 on September 9, 1996. This LER is submitted pursuant to 10CFR 50.73(a)(2)(v)(C) and 10CFR 50.73(a)(2)(v)(D).

The following are NNECO's commitments made within this letter:

- B15899-01: Perform the hydrostatic test of the SIH relief valves at the required test pressure. The retest will be performed during the current outage.
- B15899-02: Provide retraining and counseling to the individuals responsible for initially performing hydrostatic tests . Such retraining will encompass ASME code requirements and system design requirements.
- B15899-03: Maintained the Plant in Mode 5 or lower until such time as the hydrostatic testing of the SIH relief valves has been completed and the issues resolved.

Very truly yours,

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY

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