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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Radiation Control Program, Maine CDC, DHHS (the Department) has prepared the following report which specifically details the costs and activities, conducted under the Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility Oversight Fund (the Fund), for calendar year 2013. The reporting parties are the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Office of Public Advocate, the Department of Public Safety, and Maine Yankee (the Oversight Group). Each of the organizations represented on the group has reported their specific activities over the year. The Oversight group proposes that the Oversight Fund only bill Maine Yankee for the necessary funding up to the statutory limit (22 MRSA §669) depending on agreement of the Oversight Group for the budget of that calendar year.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Radiation Control Program, Maine CDC

The Oversight Group is tasked with all state oversight of the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) which is the facility in Wiscasset where all the spent nuclear fuel and greater than class C radioactive waste are stored. The Oversight fund is a non-lapsing state fund paid by Maine Yankee in quarterly installments as established by 22 MRSA §668.

The Maine CDC's Radiation Control Program (RCP) was charged with the financial oversight of the Fund and for holding regular meetings of the Oversight group as defined in <u>22 MRSA §670</u>. The Oversight group met four times during 2013 (January 17, April 10, July 10, October 19).

The RCP involvement is primarily through the program manager and included the following activities that are budgeted to account for 18% of the manager's time:

- Review of State Nuclear Safety Inspector's monthly reports and annual report.
- Billing and disbursement of Fund monies in accordance with budget.
- Bi-weekly conference calls with Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition.
- Quarterly conference calls regarding Federal Energy Regulatory Commission rate case settlements and interim spent fuel storage alternatives.
- Preparation and attendance at the annual meeting with Maine Yankee Citizen's Advisory Panel.
- Preparation of Annual Report to Legislature of Oversight group.
- Quarterly meetings of the Oversight group.
- Maintaining the Website.
- Quarterly environmental radiation samples for monitoring of environmental contamination.

The State Nuclear Safety Inspector, whose salary is paid by the Oversight Fund, reimbursed the fund for time spent assisting the x-ray inspection program, as they were last year, and are included in the income column on the budget sheet referenced as "REIMBURSEMENT FROM OTHER PROGRAM". The State Nuclear Safety Inspector's vacation and sick time earned but not taken after 2013 will remain in the Oversight fund account up to the maximum limit of accrued time until it is used. Any new earned time for 2014 will be added to the account up to the maximum time allowed.

Office of Nuclear Safety

The State Nuclear Safety Inspector (SNSI) was established by <u>Title 22 Chapter 159-A</u>. This chapter also required the SNSI to provide monthly reports, an annual report of activities, and an annual report regarding revenues and expenditures to the Legislature. The monthly reports and the annual activities reports can be found at: www.maineradiationcontrol.org and may help answer any questions.

Legislative Mandates

- Submitted monthly reports to the Legislature for the months of December 2012 and January through July of 2013 on SNSI activities at the Maine Yankee site.
- Participated in the quarterly meetings of the oversight group overseeing the Maine Yankee site.
- Submitted the annual accounting report of all revenues received and disbursed from the Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility Oversight Fund to the Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction.
- Provided current and projected activities' reports for inclusion in the Radiation Control Program's Annual Oversight and Funding Report to the Joint Standing Committee of the Legislature.
- Submitted SNSI's 2012 Annual Activities Report.

Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program

- Maintained the consolidation of the Maine Yankee environs, ISFSI and Bailey Cove TLD programs into one TLD program monitoring the ISFSI.
- Performed quarterly thermo-luminescent dosimetry (TLD) field replacements around the ISFSI to measure ambient radiation levels.
- Maintained on-going assessment program to better quantify the impact of transit and storage exposures associated with the State's TLDs employed around the ISFSI.

Decommissioning

- Completed draft Confirmatory Summary Report detailing the State's involvement and findings from the decommissioning.
- Contracted with six external consultants to review the draft Confirmatory Summary Report.
- Received comments from technical reviewers on the draft Confirmatory Summary Report.

Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI)

- Reviewed shift, security status reports on the ISFSI's daily operations.
- Participated in the annual Emergency Plan training and exercise.
- Maintained training and background checks for site and security clearance access and safeguards qualifications for security sensitive information.
- Performed a neutron survey in conjunction with Maine Yankee's radiation contractor.
 Survey encompassed two of the eight concrete pads and sixteen of the sixty-four storage casks.
- Reviewed and commented, when appropriate, on Maine Yankee submittals to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission on exemption requests to their regulations, Emergency Plan, Off-Site Dose Calculation Manual, Annual Radiological Environmental Operating Report, Annual Effluent Release Report, Annual Decommissioning Funding Assurance Status Report, Annual Special Nuclear Material Report and Annual Individual Monitoring Report on personnel exposure.

Other Noteworthy Activities

- Participated in quarterly Federal Energy Regulatory Commission rate case settlement briefings on the litigation status of Maine Yankee's, Connecticut Yankee's and Yankee Rowe's (Massachusetts) lawsuits against the U.S. Department of Energy.
- Participated in periodic briefs as the State's representative to the Northeast High Level Radioactive Waste Transportation Task Force (NEHLRWTTF), an affiliate of the Council of State Governments, Eastern Regional Conference.
- Attended the Department of Energy's annual National Transportation Stakeholders Forum as the State's representative.
- Represented the NEHLRWTTF and participated in numerous webinars on the Department of Energy's national ad hoc working group on "the Nuclear Waste Policy Act's (NWPA) Section 180(c) governing technical assistance and funding to states and tribes for training public safety officials on safe transportation and emergency response functions on spent fuel shipments within their borders.
- Participated in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) national webcasts and conference calls on their Waste Confidence Generic Environmental Impact Statement on the storage of spent nuclear fuel.
- Attended the NRC's public meeting in Chelmsford, Massachusetts on their Waste Confidence Generic Environmental Impact Statement.
- Observed the Navy's Nuclear Propulsion Program's full scale transportation exercise on a spent nuclear fuel shipment derailment in Fort Wayne, Indiana.
- Participated in a conference call as one of two representatives from the NEHLRWTTF to the newly formed 180 (c) Interregional Team that encompass the four national regional groups. The purpose of the Team is to formalize state recommendations to the Department of Energy on procedures implementing Section 180 (c) of the NWPA to include the development of a national funding allocation formula for the states.
- Participated in bi-monthly Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition conference calls on the national and congressional issues raised with the Obama Administration's opposition to the geologic repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada and the de facto imposition of

long term storage of spent nuclear fuel and high level waste at existing operating and decommissioned reactor sites.

State Nuclear Safety Inspector Projected Activities for 2014

- 1. Complete the annual oversight fund report to the Legislature.
- 2. Maintain tracking system on invoices to better reflect actual expenditures.
- 3. Provide annual activities summary to the Radiation Control Program for inclusion in the Program's annual report to the Legislature.
- 4. Submit monthly reports to the Legislature and other interested parties.
- 5. Provide an annual report to the Legislature on the State Nuclear Safety Inspector's activities for the previous calendar year.
- 6. Review daily security operations reports from the ISFSI for trends, issues, condition reports, etc.
- 7. Review and comment, if appropriate, on Maine Yankee's five annual reports to the U.S. NRC or any other correspondence with the NRC.
- 8. Participate in the biennial NRC inspection of the ISFSI, or any other NRC inspection.
- 9. Participate in the annual Maine Yankee emergency plan training and exercise.
- 10. Provide an annual update to local representatives on the Maine Yankee Community Advisory Panel on the State's activities.
- 11. Advise senior state officials on any spent fuel storage issues that may impact public health and safety.
- 12. Maintain an appropriate independent environmental surveillance program of the Maine Yankee environs and assess public health impact from ISFSI operations.
- 13. Complete the neutron survey of the ISFSI environs and provide a summary of the State's results to Maine Yankee.
- 14. Act as the State's radiation expert to the Department of Environmental Protection's on radiation issues.
- 15. State representative to the Council of State Governments Eastern Regional Conference's NEHLRWTTF on spent fuel and high level waste shipments.
- 16. NEHLRWTTF representative to the Section 180(c) Interregional Team on a national spent fuel and high-level waste transportation plan.
- 17. Incorporate a list of state's lessons learned from the decommissioning into the draft Confirmatory Summary Report.
- 18. Finalize and issue the Confirmatory Summary Report.
- 19. Assess the appropriateness of maintaining or eliminating the State's two solar powered environmental radiation detectors on Bailey Point and the old west Forebay Dike
- 20. Develop disposal criteria for disposing approximately at least 50% of the remaining decommissioning soil samples in storage.
- 21. Ensure all the data, analyses and reports issued by the State's decommissioning consultant are captured in a retrievable format for archiving.
- 22. Collaborate with State Archives in developing a storage and retrieval system for historical operating and decommissioning information on Maine Yankee.
- 23. Forward appropriate State Nuclear Safety Inspector's files (several hundred boxes) to State Archives.

- 24. Request from Maine Yankee gamma survey information on the in-core instrument sump and surveyed buildings and appropriate ISOCS information for remediation or final status release.
- 25. Complete printing and binding of all photos of the Maine Yankee decommissioning.
- 26. Evaluate the distribution of radioactive environmental contaminants from the site characterization and marine sediment/tidal study samples.
- 27. Develop a timetable for issuing eleven special technical summary reports covering historical operational and decommissioning events at Maine Yankee.
- 28. Forward up to 30 selected soil samples to the Environmental Protection Agency for in depth analysis of transuranics and hard-to-detect radioactive elements.
- 29. Develop and implement a review schedule for Maine Yankee's final status survey release reports and engineering calculations.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Resource Conservation Recovery Act Chemical Sampling of Groundwater

This monitoring program started in September 2005 and is scheduled to terminate 30 years from that date. Baseline monitoring was conducted from 23 wells (reduced to 21 wells after June 2008) on a quarterly basis during the months of September, December, March and June for a three year period that ended with the submittal of the *Third Annual Report of Groundwater Monitoring of Bailey Point, September 2007 – June 2008, With Three-Year Monitoring Overview and Trend Analysis, Wiscasset, Maine, December 16, 2008.* Additional chemical monitoring is to be conducted three times per year every fifth year until 2033, and three times per year for the final two years (2034 and 2035). The next RCRA groundwater monitoring event at Maine Yankee will occur in September, 2013.

Radiological Sampling of Groundwater

The last radiological sampling was conducted in March and June of 2010. Due to laboratory issues, some data were compromised. Maine Yankee agreed to resample and analyze in late 2010 in order to obtain complete and accurate data. The laboratory and compromised data issues were addressed to the satisfaction of Maine's State Nuclear Safety Inspector's in Maine Yankee's final radiological sampling report, *Annual Groundwater Monitoring of Bailey Point, September 2009 – October/November2010, Wiscasset, Maine, Rev. 1.* As stated in a December 5, 2011 letter from Harold Nilsson (Maine DEP) to James Connell (Maine Yankee), the State considers the report acceptable, and all groundwater radiological monitoring tasks at Maine Yankee to be satisfactorily completed.

Natural Resource Damage Assessment

Montsweag Brook continues to recover various stream and riparian habitats resulting from the 2010 dam removal.

Anticipated Activities

Project Manager (Harold Nilsson): Project orientation, attend meetings, coordinate communications with Department staff, Maine Yankee personnel and DHS, coordinate review of technical data by Department staff, monitor financial accounts, prepare correspondence.

Project Geologist (Rob Peale): Review and comment on groundwater monitoring issues.

Project Chemist (Deb Stahler): Review and comment on technical issues. Monitor quality assurance for analytical data.

Database Manager (Diana McKenzie): Configure analytical data for the Department's EGAD database.

Environmental Supervisor (Stacy Ladner): Project orientation, assist Project Manager.

Division Director (Scott Whittier): Assist Environmental Supervisor and Project Manager.

Clerical Support (varied): Clerical personnel support for copying, mailing, phone communications.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

In 2013 the State Police and Maine Yankee facility personnel continued to maintain and improve their relationship through intelligence sharing initiatives and specialized team response capability. The Tactical Team continued to drill and prepared to respond in the event that a hostile or violent incident occurs. This past year, the Tactical Team and State Police Troop D participated in a communications exercise that was run by Maine Yankee. This exercise was generated to effectively test the communications plan that was in place. This exercise was very beneficial because a new Troop Commander is in place at Troop D. He is now very familiar with the communications plan. The Tactical Team also conducted a two day training with the Maine Yankee Security unit this past year that went very well and included the Crisis Negotiation Team in a hostage down scenario.

In the past, the Tactical Team has trained with the security personnel and identified vulnerabilities that have led to improvements made at the facility. Since there has recently been a change in command at the facility, we will look to schedule another joint training. This will not only continue to enhance the relationship with both units but it will familiarize the new leadership with the Tactical Team and know what to expect, should they respond to an incident.

The replacement plan developed to utilize the money from the Interim Spent Fuel Storage Facility Oversight Fund is currently being followed. This is used to support and maintain the tactical response capability of the Tactical Team. The periodic equipment purchases are necessary to replace equipment that is outdated and no longer provides the protection to the wearer due to its finite shelf life. This replacement cycle that has been developed only includes equipment that is directly related to the protection of public health and safety if the State Police respond to an incident at the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation.

Maine's designated Fusion Center (State Police-MIAC) continues to monitor classified and unclassified intelligence and threat streams and are able to identify items that my affect Maine

Yankee. This information is shared with Maine Yankee when appropriate. Periodic updates are given on issues that impact Maine at quarterly meetings as well. Maine Yankee is also now notifying Fusion Center Staff when they have any suspicious incidents that occur at or around their facility. This past year we followed up on a couple of suspicious activities that were reported and closed them out. The MIAC hosted one of the quarterly meetings this past year to familiarize the group with what the Fusion Center is and what resources it has to offer when necessary. This is a relationship that will continue to grow and mature as staff matures and relationships continue to develop at both facilities. The Fusion Center also participated in the communications exercise that the Tactical Team and Troop D participated in this past year as well. Department of Public Safety staff will continue to train with Maine Yankee staff in the following year to further enhance response capabilities, familiarize staff with the facility and develop relationships.

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC ADVOCATE

Omnibus Energy Law

The Omnibus Energy Law, Public Law 2013 ch. 369, directed the funds received "pursuant to a damage award received pursuant to litigation with the United States Department of Energy concerning decommissioning costs related to Maine Yankee Atomic Power Company."

- In 2013-14 and 2014-15, 55% of these funds are to be used to fund electric efficiency and conservation programs through the Efficiency Maine Trust, with any proportional share in excess of a utility's load share allocated to reduce stranded costs. The remaining 45% are "to be used to reduce the transmission and distribution utility's rates in a manner that provides maximum benefit to the economy of the State."
- In 2015-16, \$2 million of the settlement funds are to be used to fund Efficiency Maine's electric efficiency and conservation programs, with the proportion drawn from each utility's share of the settlement funds based on the utility's proportional share of retail sales. All remaining funds are to be used "to reduce the transmission and distribution utility's rates in a manner that provides maximum benefit to the economy of the State."
- Beyond 2015-16, the law directs the PUC to ensure that "all settlement funds are allocated in a manner that provides maximum benefit to the economy of the State."

This allocation was part of a larger compromise related to a significant expansion of ratepayer funds to fund energy efficiency; the settlement funds were intended to offset any near term rate shock associated with funding that increase entirely through the system benefit charge.

The PUC opened an inquiry in Docket No. 2013-00487 requesting guidance on what expenditures would reduce rates in a manner that provides maximum benefit to the Maine economy. Only Central Maine Power, Emera Maine and the Office of the Public Advocate submitted comments. In general, these parties all recommended that the funds be used to reduce stranded costs. The Commission has not yet scheduled this matter for decision.

MAINE YANKEE ATOMIC POWER COMPANY

Spent Nuclear Fuel Removal/Disposal Update

Spent Nuclear Fuel removal: the Federal Government's obligation

As required by contract and the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) was to begin removing spent nuclear fuel (SNF) and Greater than Class C waste (GTCC) from Maine Yankee by the end of January 1998. As a Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) licensee it is Maine Yankee's responsibility to safely and securely store the SNF in accordance with all applicable regulations. The current annual cost to ratepayers for Maine Yankee's Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) is approximately \$9 million. However, that annual cost could well increase as regulations evolve and potentially impose additional requirements on the company.

Given the uncertainty over federal policy for the removal of SNF and GTCC waste, this material could remain stored at Maine Yankee for many years. When the federal government fulfills its obligation to remove the SNF and GTCC waste the ISFSI will be decommissioned and Maine Yankee will go out of business. When that will be is Unknown.

DOE litigation: recovering monetary damages to benefit ratepayers

After 14 years of litigation, in early 2013 the Federal Government paid damages of nearly \$160 million to Maine Yankee, Connecticut Yankee, and Yankee Atomic as a result of the government's ongoing breach of contract. (The three Yankee company cases were filed separately, but were combined by the trail court for litigation.) Maine Yankee received \$81.7 million; Connecticut Yankee \$39.7 million; and Yankee Atomic \$38.3 million. The damages awards to the three companies in this Phase I litigation were for the costs incurred from 1998 through the 2001-2002 timeframe related to the federal government's failure to honor its contract obligation to begin removing SNF and GTCC waste from the sites by January 1998. Connecticut Yankee located in Haddam, Connecticut, and Yankee Atomic, located in Rowe, Massachusetts, are similar to Maine Yankee being decommissioned former nuclear power plants that continue to exist only as facilities for the storage of SNF and GTCC waste until the federal government removes this material as required by contract and statute.

In May 2013, each of the Yankee Companies made a filing with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) detailing its approach for applying the proceeds from Phase I and future damage awards to the benefit of ratepayers. Each filing included a stipulation signed by representatives of the regulatory agencies in Maine, Connecticut, and Massachusetts in support of the company's approach. In June the FERC approved the filings effective July 1st and the proceeds have been applied in accordance with the FERC decision.

On November 14, 2013 U.S. Court of Federal Claims Judge James F. Merow released his decision in the Phase II DOE litigation cases which awards Maine Yankee, Connecticut Yankee, and Yankee Atomic approximately \$235.4 million in damages from 2002/2003 through 2008. In these Phase II cases, Judge Merow awarded Maine Yankee 35.7 million,

Connecticut Yankee \$126.3 million, and Yankee Atomic \$73.3 million. In August 2013 the three Yankee Companies filed damages claims for the years 2009-2012.

The ongoing litigation between the three companies and the Department of Energy is being conducted in phases as an earlier U.S. Federal Appeals Court decision ruled that utility companies, such as the three companies, cannot receive damage awards for costs that have not yet been incurred. As a result, the three companies have, and expect to continue to litigate with the DOE every several years to request damages for costs incurred by their ratepayers, while recognizing that the DOE may challenge the prudence and appropriateness of all expenditures.

While recovering monetary damages from the federal government is positive for the ratepayers it does not result in SNF and GTCC waste being removed from Maine Yankee, Connecticut Yankee, and Yankee Atomic.

Broad support for removal of SNF from decommissioned sites but the impasse between the Senate and House continues to stymie SNF program reform

DOE Strategy Report

In January 2013 the Department of Energy released its <u>Strategy for the Management and Disposal of Used Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste</u>. The report was in response to the 2012 recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future (BRC) and provides a framework for implementing the BRC recommendations. DOE Strategy milestones include a pilot consolidated storage facility with priority for shutdown reactor fuel – 2021; a larger consolidated storage facility – 2025; and the opening of a geologic repository – 2048. DOE has indicated timely congressional reform of the SNF program is needed to implement its strategy which in keeping with the BRC recommendations would use a voluntary, consent based process for siting interim storage facilities & a repository in one or more host communities.

The DOE strategy report is a significant milestone with regard to the evolving national nuclear waste management policy and with respect to moving spent nuclear fuel from the three Yankee sites. It is the culmination of years of effort on the part of the Yankee companies and other stakeholders to prioritize the removal of spent nuclear fuel and Greater than Class C waste from decommissioned reactor sites. Everyone from the BRC, to the DOE, to the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition (NWSC), the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and many elected officials support this approach.

Bipartisan "Nuclear Waste Administration Act of 2013" introduced in Senate

On June 27, 2013 Senators Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), Lamar Alexander (R-TN), Ron Wyden (D-OR) and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), introduced the "Nuclear Waste Administration Act of 2013", S. 1240. Senator Angus King recently became the fifth co-sponsor of the legislation. The Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee held a hearing on the bill July 30 but no mark up has been scheduled.

S. 1240 addresses the recommendations of the BRC, and in addition to establishing a consent based process to site a permanent repository and one or more centralized storage sites, the bill requires a proposed new nuclear waste agency to establish a storage facility program beginning with a pilot program for storage of priority waste which would include spent fuel removed from permanently shut-down reactor sites. During the July hearing DOE Secretary Moniz and others testified in support of this concept.

Also, the April 2013 FY 2014 Senate Energy and Water Appropriations Committee bill contains a provision, as it did the previous year, to establish a pilot program for the removal of SNF from shutdown reactor sites to centralized interim storage. Senator Susan Collins is a member of this committee and supports this provision.

U.S. House: focused on Yucca Mountain and implementing the Nuclear Waste Policy Act The House, on the other hand, remains focused on the NRC completing its review of the DOE's license application for the proposed Yucca Mountain geologic repository and has not addressed the BRC recommendations. In July the House approved the FY 2014 Energy & Water Appropriations bill which includes \$25 million to continue the Yucca Mountain repository license application and which prohibits the use of funds for the closure of the Yucca Mountain project. The House Subcommittee on Environment & the Economy has held several hearings with NRC and DOE mainly focused on continuing the Yucca Mountain license application review and adhering to the NWPA.

By the same token the Senate has not addressed Yucca Mountain, despite the NWPA designating Yucca Mountain as the sole site to be evaluated as a geologic repository. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) is staunchly opposed to Yucca Mountain and has worked to terminate the project.

Court requires NRC to continue review of Yucca Mountain license application

On August 13, 2013 the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit issued a writ of mandamus requiring the NRC to continue its review of the DOE's Yucca Mountain license application, a process terminated by the NRC in 2011. The NRC has about \$11 million in previously appropriated funds to continue its review and it's uncertain whether Congress will appropriate additional funds for this purpose. NRC is focused on completing the Yucca Mountain Safety Evaluation Report.

SNF program reform not expected in the near term

Given the differences between the House and Senate, reform of the SNF program is not expected in the near term, though Maine Yankee remains hopeful and is committed to working with others to bring about the necessary reform to overcome the impasse on this issue.

The State of Maine, Maine Yankee and other stakeholders working together

During 2013 the focus was on building support for reforming the spent nuclear fuel program, especially regarding the DOE strategy and Senate legislation proposal to establish a pilot project for the removal of spent nuclear fuel from decommissioned reactor sites to a

centralized interim storage facility. We are encouraged by the broad support for this concept and will continue working with others in 2014 in an effort to overcome the impasse between the Senate and House. Maine Yankee appreciates the active involvement and support of many state and regional stakeholders.

Since the early 1990s the State and Maine Yankee have been members of the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition. The NWSC includes state utility regulators, state attorney generals, electric utilities and associate members representing dozens of states and organizations. Its mission: "To reform and adequately fund the U.S. civilian high-level nuclear waste transportation, storage, and disposal program in a manner that ensures timely and safe waste removal from operating and decommissioned nuclear power plants and that protects ratepayers' substantial investment in the program." The State and Maine Yankee participate in regular conference calls and other activities of the NWSC that include the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, the Nuclear Energy Institute and others.

On a quarterly basis the State of Maine and Maine Yankee participate in a meeting of New England policy makers called the Interim Storage Alternatives Effort. This initiative is part of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission settlement agreements for Maine Yankee, Connecticut Yankee, and Yankee Rowe. Its purpose is to share information and to identify interim SNF storage alternatives outside New England.

Maine Yankee is a member of the Decommissioning Plant Coalition which is comprised of the New England decommissioned plants, and decommissioned plants in Wisconsin, Illinois, and California. The DPC is active in Washington, D.C. representing the unique interests of shutdown plants whose only function is the safe storage of SNF until the federal government honors its commitment to remove this material. Wayne Norton, President and CEO of Connecticut Yankee and Yankee Atomic and Chief Nuclear Officer of Maine Yankee, is the chair of the DPC.

Maine Yankee also continues to benefit from the input of its Community Advisory Panel which has been in place since 1997.

For more information go to www.maineyankee.com.

ESTIMATED POST DECOMMISSIONING OVERSIGHT EXPENDITURES AND BUDGETED TRANSFERS FROM ACCOUNT 014-10A-2440-03

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