August 23, 2002

Mr. John L. Skolds, President
Exelon Nuclear
Exelon Generation Company, LLC
4300 Winfield Road
Warrenville, IL 60555

SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN
CLINTON POWER STATION

Dear Mr. Skolds:

On July 31, 2002, the NRC staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of Clinton Power Station. In accordance with NRC Inspection Manual Chapter 0305 “Operating Reactor Assessment Program,” the mid-cycle review involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating the performance of your Clinton Power facility for the first half of the current assessment cycle, January 1 to December 31, 2002. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC’s Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all Performance Indicators indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, at this time, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2003.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections scheduled through September 30, 2003. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The inspection plan for the last 6 months is tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review.

In addition, the NRC is in the process of finalizing a Temporary Instruction that will be used to review implementation of the Interim Compensatory Measures required by the Agency’s Security Order to all commercial nuclear power plants dated February 25, 2002. Schedules have not yet been finalized, but it is anticipated that these inspections will begin within the next calendar quarter. Once finalized, the details will be communicated by separate correspondence.
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If circumstances arise which cause us to change the inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at (630) 829-9729 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Ann Marie Stone, Chief
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Division of Reactor Projects

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