Mr. Oliver D. Kingsley
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Dear Mr. Kingsley:

As a result of a concern of employment discrimination against a quality control inspector for raising safety issues, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) recently conducted an investigation regarding this matter. The concern was that the quality control inspector was not hired by Commonwealth Edison Company after he raised a concern regarding foreign material control at the Braidwood Nuclear Power Plant.

The NRC has completed its investigation into this matter. The NRC's investigation determined that discrimination against the quality control inspector was not substantiated. A copy of the Region III Office of Investigations report synopsis is enclosed. This concludes the NRC's investigation into this matter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure, and your response, if any, will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <a href="http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html">http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html</a> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact me at (630) 829-9500.

Sincerely,

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John A. Grobe, Director Division of reactor Safety

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## OI SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated on November 29, 1999, by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Office of Investigations (OI), Region III (RIII), to determine if a Braidwood Nuclear Power Station Quality Control (QC) employee was discriminated against for raising maintenance concerns.

Based upon the evidence developed during this investigation, OI:RIII could not substantiate the allegation that the QC employee was discriminated against for raising maintenance concerns.