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FACILITY: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 2

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MARCH 2, 2001, MEETING WITH CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY TO DISCUSS THE INSPECTION RESULTS FROM A RECENT INSPECTION, AND FOLLOW-ON PUBLIC MEETING

On March 2, 2001, a public meeting was held at the Cortlandt Town Hall , between Consolidated Edison (Con Ed), and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss inspection results from a recently performed 95003 supplemental inspection per the NRC Reactor Oversight Program. The meeting was in two parts. The first part of the meeting was a presentation of inspection results by the NRC to Con Ed Management. The second part was a question and answer session between the NRC and members of the public (including elected officials).

During the NRC presentation, the Inspection Team Leader provided an overall assessment of programs and processes in the reactor safety strategic performance area. A summary of the inspection results, taken from the slides presented that evening (attached), is as follows:

- Indian Point 2 is being operated safely and an acceptable margin of safety exists
- As previously identified, weaknesses exist in station programs and processes indicating the need for a continued improvement program
- There is improved management awareness of site problems and overall management alignment and business plan recognition of station goals
- Some progress has been observed in improving previously identified performance problems; however, progress has been slow, overall, and limited in some areas

Topics discussed during the second part of the meeting, with both elected officials and members of the public, included: concerns over maintenance and engineering backlogs, reactor protection system issues, and design control issues, in general; implications of the pending license transfer from Con Ed to Entergy; resident inspector staffing at the plant; whether there is a "chilled environment" at the plant where employees are reluctant to raise safety concerns; and emergency planning.

The results of the 95003 supplemental inspection will be documented in an inspection report expected to be issued in early April, 2001.

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