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NRC Docket No. 50-341 NRC License No. NPF-43

Subject: <u>Implementation Date of Revised 10CFR 50.59 at Fermi 2</u>

The effective date for the revised 10CFR50.59, was established in a December 13, 2000, Federal Register notice (65 FR 77773), as March 13, 2001. As discussed in Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2001-03, dated January 23, 2001, the NRC has stated that to permit an orderly transition to the revised rule, licensees may implement the rule later than this date. Although an exemption is not necessary, the RIS suggested that a licensee may want to communicate its implementation plan to the NRC. It is our intention to implement the revised requirements of 10CFR50.59 no later than April 30, 2001.

The additional time provided by the schedule described above is needed to permit completion of the necessary procedure changes and training. Detroit Edison has determined that this schedule will ensure a smooth transition to the new rule.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Norman K. Peterson, Director, Nuclear Licensing at (734) 586-4258.

Sincerely,

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