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LICENSEE: CONSOLIDATED EDISON COMPANY OF NEW YORK, INC.  
FACILITY: INDIAN POINT NUCLEAR GENERATING UNIT NO. 2  
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF JUNE 13, 2001 MEETING WITH CONSOLIDATED EDISON  
COMPANY TO DISCUSS PERFORMANCE

On June 13, 2001, a public meeting was held at the Energy Education Center, between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and Consolidated Edison (Con Ed) staff. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss NRC's assessment of Con Ed's performance for the period of April 2, 2000 through March 31, 2001. In addition, Con Ed discussed their continuing improvement efforts, including specific actions in the areas of corrective action effectiveness and employee concerns.

During the NRC presentation, an overall assessment of Con Ed's performance was provided. Much of the assessment was similar to that provided at the public exit meeting for the 95003 supplemental inspection held on March 2, 2001. As explained in the Annual Assessment letter from the NRC to Con Ed, dated May 31, 2001 (reference ADAMS accession no. ML011510375), weaknesses were identified in the following areas, indicating the need for continued improvement.

- Design control
- Equipment reliability
- Problem identification and resolution
- Human performance; and
- Emergency preparedness

Although some progress has been observed in improving previously identified performance problems, progress was found to have been slow and limited in some areas. As such, the NRC will continue to monitor the effectiveness of performance improvement efforts. The NRC plans to conduct baseline inspections, additional focused supplemental inspections, and continue site visits, management meetings, and quarterly assessments. Indian Point 2 was found by the NRC to be operating safely and with an acceptable margin of safety. The plant remains in the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded cornerstone column of the NRC's Action Matrix. The NRC will continue to conduct supplemental inspections of Indian Point 2 beyond the normal baseline inspection program. The slides presented that evening by the NRC are available in ADAMS (accession number: ML011710273).

Con Ed discussed the status of actions to improve performance, and provided some established metrics for measuring performance improvements. Additionally, Con Ed highlighted some challenges their organization has faced regarding implementation of their performance improvement initiatives, as defined by their Business Plan. Discussion topics included:

- Problem identification and resolution (corrective actions)
- Operations
- Work control
- Emergency preparedness
- Safety conscious work environment; and
- Engineering

A copy of Con Ed's slide presentation is also available in ADAMS (accession number: ML011710376).

Following this meeting members of the public and local elected officials questioned the NRC staff on a variety of issues including:

- license transfer
- duration and intensity of NRC oversight
- adequacy of performance indicators; and
- emergency preparedness.

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