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Correspondence Response Sheet

Date: June 29, 2000

Approved subject to attached edits.

To: Chairman Meserve
Commissioner Dicus
Commissioner Diaz
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield ✓

Jeffrey S. Merrifield
Jeffrey S. Merrifield, 7/5/00

From: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

Subject: Letter to Congresswoman Kelly concerns Consolidated Edison's intent to resume operations at Indian Point 2 nuclear power plant with the current steam generators

ACTION: Please comment/concur and respond to the Office of the Secretary by:

Time: C.O.B.
Day: Monday
Date: July 10, 2000

Comment: RESPONSE IS FOR SIGNATURE OF THE EDO.

Contact: George Wunder, EDO/NRR
415-1494

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oversight and detailed inspections of IP2 operations as indicated by NRC's decision to designate IP2 as an "agency focus" plant in the most recent senior management meeting.

Since the February 15, 2000, event, Con Ed has inspected the tubes in all four steam generators. As a result of this inspection, Con Ed removed some tubes from service. Con Ed evaluated the tube inspection data and has submitted its Operational Assessment Report to the NRC. The NRC staff is reviewing Con Ed's report and, based on this review, ~~the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation~~ will determine whether or not continued operation of IP2 poses any undue risk to public health and safety. I would like to assure you that the safety of the surrounding communities will be central to the decision of whether or not to allow IP2 to restart.

I am pleased to know that you attended the public meeting on June 25 and stated your views on developments at the Indian Point 2 site. I hope that the meeting served the purpose of explaining to the public the status of NRC's review of Indian Point 2 activities and issues, including steam generator integrity. I know we benefitted from receiving public comments which we will consider as we ~~complete~~ our reviews.

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Please do not hesitate to call me at (301) 415-1700 if you have additional concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

William D. Travers
Executive Director
for Operations