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A copy of the Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. The Notice of Issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

John B. Hickman, Project Manager
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Enclosures:

1. Amendment No. 52 to NPF-37
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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. STN 50-454

BYRON STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 52
License No. NPF-37

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee) dated September 16, 1992, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
 - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
 - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-37 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 52 and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



James E. Dyer, Director
Project Directorate III-2
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. STN 50-455

BYRON STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 52
License No. NPF-66

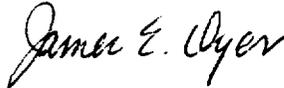
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 - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
 - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
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2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-66 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A (NUREG-1113), as revised through Amendment No. 52 and revised by Attachment 2 to NPF-66, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which were attached to License No. NPF-37, dated February 14, 1985, are hereby incorporated into this license. Attachment 2 contains a revision to Appendix A which is hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance.

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NOS. 52 AND 52
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NOS. NPF-37 AND NPF-66
DOCKET NOS. STN 50-454 AND STN 50-455

Revise the Appendix A Technical Specifications by removing the pages identified below and inserting the attached pages. The revised pages are identified by the captioned amendment number and contain marginal lines indicating the area of change.

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Insert Pages

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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

6.3 UNIT STAFF QUALIFICATIONS

6.3.1 Each member of the unit staff shall meet or exceed the minimum qualifications of ANSI N18.1-1971, except for the Health Physics Supervisor or Lead Health Physicist, who shall meet or exceed the qualifications of Regulatory Guide 1.8, September 1975, for a Radiation Protection Manager.

6.4 TRAINING

6.4.1 A retraining and replacement training program for the unit staff shall be maintained under the direction of the Production Training Department and shall meet or exceed the requirements and recommendations of Section 5 of ANSI/ANS 3.1-1978, and shall include familiarization with relevant industry operational experience from the program managed by Quality Programs and Assessment.

6.5 REVIEW INVESTIGATION AND AUDIT

The Review and Investigative Function and the Audit Function of activities affecting quality during facility operations shall be constituted and have the responsibilities and authorities outlined below.

OFFSITE

6.5.1 The Superintendent of the Offsite Review and Investigative Function shall be appointed by the Manager of Quality Assurance/Nuclear Safety (QA/NS) responsible for nuclear activities. The corporate audit function shall be the responsibility of the Manager of QA/NS and shall be independent of operations.

The Manager of QA/NS reports directly to the Chief Executive Officer and has the responsibility to set Corporate Policy for both the areas of Quality Assurance and Nuclear Safety. Policy is promulgated through a central policy committee directed by the Manager of QA/NS. The Manager of QA/NS has the responsibility for the performance of periodic audits of each nuclear station and corporate department to determine that QA/NS policy is being carried out.

a. Offsite Review and Investigative Function

The Superintendent of the Offsite Review and Investigative Function shall: (1) provide directions for the review and investigative function and appoint a senior participant to provide appropriate direction, (2) select each participant for this function, (3) select a complement of more than one participant who collectively possess background and qualifications in the subject matter under review to provide comprehensive interdisciplinary review coverage under this function, (4) independently review and approve the findings and recommendations developed by personnel performing the review



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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. STN 50-456

BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 41
License No. NPF-72

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee) dated September 16, 1992, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
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2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 2.C.(2) of Facility Operating License No. NPF-72 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 41 and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which are attached hereto, are hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance.

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

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BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 41
License No. NPF-77

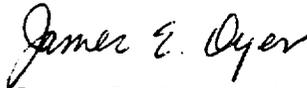
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(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 41 and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, both of which were attached to License No. NPF-72, dated July 2, 1987, are hereby incorporated into this license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NOS. 41 AND 41
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NOS. NPF-72 AND NPF-77
DOCKET NOS. STN 50-456 AND STN 50-457

Replace the following pages of the Appendix "A" Technical Specifications with the attached pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain vertical lines indicating the area of change.

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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

6.2.4 SHIFT TECHNICAL ADVISOR (Continued)

To assure capability for performance of all STA functions:

- (1) The shift foreman (SRO) shall participate in the SCRE shift relief turnover.
- (2) During the shift, the shift engineer and the shift foreman (SRO) shall be made aware of any significant changes in plant status in a timely manner by the SCRE.
- (3) During the shift, the shift engineer and the shift foreman (SRO) shall remain abreast of the current plant status. The shift foreman (SRO) shall return to the control room two or three times per shift, where practicable, to confer with the SCRE regarding plant status. Where not practicable to return to the control room, the shift foreman (SRO) shall periodically check with the SCRE for a plant status update. The shift foreman (SRO) shall not abandon duties original to reactor operation, unless specifically ordered by the shift engineer.

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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NO. 52 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-37,
AMENDMENT NO. 52 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-66,
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BYRON STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2
BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2
DOCKET NOS. STN 50-454, STN 50-455, STN 50-456 AND STN 50-457

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated September 16, 1992, Commonwealth Edison Company (CECo, the licensee) requested an amendment to the Technical Specifications (TS) for Byron Station, Units 1 and 2, and Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2. The proposed change revises Section 6 to delete reference to superceded documents pertaining to the training of licensed operators.

2.0 EVALUATION

The first proposed change would delete statements in sections 6.3.1 and 6.4.1 which require licensed operators, senior operators, and unit staff to meet the qualification and training requirements provided in Sections A and C of Enclosure 1 of the March 28, 1980, NRC letter to all licensees. References to approved ANSI/ANS standards and to appropriate Regulatory Guides are retained. Since the March 28, 1980, letter was issued, Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 55 (10 CFR 55) which governs operator training and qualifications has been revised. In addition NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examiner Standards," that provided guidance on the implementation of 10 CFR 55 requirements, was subsequently issued. Based on the issuance of subsequent regulatory requirements which supercede the March 28, 1980, letter to all licensees and that reference to appropriate standards are retained, which is consistent with the new Standard Technical Specifications, the deletion is acceptable.

The second proposed change would delete the requirement in section 6.4.1 that the training program meet or exceed the requirements of Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 55. Since these TS were written, Appendix A of 10 CFR Part 55 has been incorporated into the body of the regulations. Therefore, reference to Appendix A is no longer correct. Further, a commitment to comply with a

requirement mandated by regulation is unnecessary. Therefore, the deletion of the Appendix A reference is acceptable.

3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Illinois State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendments. The State official had no comments.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

This amendment relates to changes in recordkeeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendments.

5.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that: (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Date: March 3, 1993