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SUBJECT: ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS (TAC NOS. M92569, M92570, M92571 AND M92572)

Dear Mr. Farrar:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Commission) has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 79 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-37 and Amendment No. 79 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-66 for the Byron Station, Units 1 and 2, respectively, and Amendment No. 71 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-72 and Amendment No. 71 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2, respectively. The amendments are in response to your application dated June 8, 1995.

The amendments revise Technical Specification (TS) 3/4.8.1 by (1) replacing Table 4.8-1, "Diesel Generator Test Schedule," with a single surveillance interval of at least once per 31 days, and (2) deleting TS 4.8.1.1.3, "Reports." These revisions are consistent with the guidance in Generic Letter (GL) 94-01 related to removing requirements on accelerated testing and reporting from the TSs.

Additionally, these amendments revise ACTION statements and surveillances in TS 3.8.1.1 related to certain diesel generator testing and startup requirements. These revisions are categorized as TS line item improvements and are generally consistent with the guidance in NUREG-1366 and GL 93-05.

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

Sincerely,

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

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BYRON STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 79
License No. NPF-37

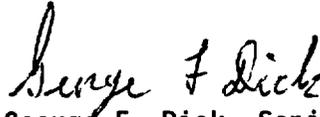
1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
 - A. The application for amendment by Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee) dated June 8, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and 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:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 79 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 and shall be implemented within 90 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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UNITED STATES
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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

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BYRON STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 79
License No. NPF-66

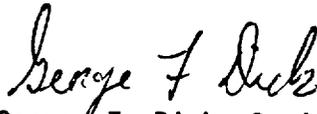
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 - A. The application for amendment by Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee) dated June 8, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter 1;
 - 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-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. 79 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 and shall be implemented within 90 days.

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NOS. 79 AND 79

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NOS. NPF-37 AND NPF-66

DOCKET NOS. STN 50-454 AND STN 50-455

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3/4.8 ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

3/4.8.1 A.C. SOURCES

OPERATING

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.1.1 As a minimum, the following A.C. electrical power sources shall be OPERABLE:

- a. Each Class 1E 4160 volt bus capable of being powered from:
 - 1) Either transformer of a given units normal System Auxiliary Transformer bank, and
 - 2) Either transformer of the other units System Auxiliary Transformers bank, with

Each units System Auxiliary Transformer bank energized from an independent transmission circuit.

- b. Two separate and independent diesel generators, each with:
 - 1) A separate day tank containing a minimum volume of 450 gallons of fuel,
 - 2) A separate Fuel Oil Storage System containing a minimum volume of 44,000 gallons of fuel, and
 - 3) A separate fuel transfer pump.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3, and 4.

ACTION:

- a. With either an offsite circuit or diesel generator of the above required A.C. electrical power sources inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining A.C. sources by performing Specification 4.8.1.1.1a within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter; if the inoperable component is the diesel generator and the diesel generator became inoperable due to any cause other than an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance or testing, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 24 hours, unless the absence of any potential common mode failure for the remaining diesel generator is demonstrated. Restore at least two offsite circuits and two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- b. With one offsite circuit and one diesel generator of the above required A.C. electrical power sources inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining A.C. sources by performing Specifications 4.8.1.1.1a within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter. If the diesel generator became inoperable due to any cause other than an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance or testing, demonstrate

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

ACTION (Continued)

the OPERABILITY of the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 8 hours, unless the absence of any potential common mode failure for the remaining diesel generator is demonstrated. Restore at least one of the inoperable sources to OPERABLE status within 12 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours. Restore at least two offsite circuits and two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from the time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

- c. With one diesel generator inoperable in addition to ACTION a. or b. above, verify that:
1. All required systems, subsystems, trains, components and devices that depend on the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator as a source of emergency power are also OPERABLE, and
 2. When in MODE 1, 2, or 3, the diesel-driven auxiliary feedwater pump is OPERABLE and the other Unit's A Diesel Generator is OPERABLE, if the inoperable diesel generator is the emergency power supply for the motor-driven auxiliary feedwater pump.

If these conditions are not satisfied within 2 hours be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

- d. With two of the above required offsite A.C. circuits inoperable; restore at least one of the inoperable offsite sources to OPERABLE status within 24 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours. With only one offsite source restored, restore at least two offsite circuits to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- e. With two of the above required diesel generators inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of two offsite A.C. circuits by performing Specification 4.8.1.1.1a. within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter; restore at least one of the inoperable diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 2 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours. Restore at least two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.8.1.1.1 Each of the above required independent circuits between the offsite transmission network and the Onsite Class 1E Distribution System shall be:

- a. Determined OPERABLE at least once per 7 days by verifying correct breaker alignments, indicated power availability, and
- b. Demonstrated OPERABLE at least once per 18 months during shutdown by transferring manually unit power supply from the normal circuit to the alternate circuit.

4.8.1.1.2 Each diesel generator shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 31 days on a STAGGERED TEST BASIS by:
 - 1) Verifying the fuel level in the day tank,
 - 2) Verifying the fuel level in the fuel storage tank,
 - 3) Verifying the fuel transfer pump starts and transfers fuel from the storage system to the day tank,
 - 4) Verifying the diesel starts from ambient condition and accelerates to at least 600 rpm in less than or equal to 10 seconds.* The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds* after the start signal. The diesel generator shall be started for this test by using one of the following signals:
 - a) Manual, or
 - b) Simulated loss of ESF bus voltage by itself, or
 - c) Simulated loss of ESF bus voltage in conjunction with an ESF actuation test signal, or
 - d) An ESF actuation test signal by itself.
 - 5) Verifying the generator is synchronized, then loaded to greater than or equal to 5500 kW in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations*, operates with a load greater than or equal to 5500 kW for at least 60 minutes, and
 - 6) Verifying the diesel generator is aligned to provide standby power to the associated ESF busses.
- b. At least once per 31 days and after each operation of the diesel where the period of operation was greater than or equal to 1 hour by checking for and removing accumulated water from the day tanks;

*The diesel generator start (10 sec) from ambient conditions shall be performed at least once per 184 days in these surveillance tests. All other engine starts for the purpose of this surveillance testing may be preceded by an engine pre-lube period and/or other warmup procedures recommended by the manufacturer so that mechanical stress and wear on the diesel engine is minimized.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- c. At least once per 31 days by checking for and removing accumulated water from the fuel oil storage tanks;
- d. By sampling new fuel oil in accordance with ASTM-D4057 prior to addition to storage tanks and:
 - 1) By verifying in accordance with the tests specified in ASTM-D975-81 prior to addition to the storage tanks that the sample has:
 - a) An API Gravity of within 0.3 degrees at 60°F, or a specific gravity of within 0.0016 at 60°F, when compared to the supplier's certificate, or an absolute specific gravity at 60°F of greater than or equal to 0.83 but less than or equal to 0.89, or an API gravity of greater than or equal to 27 degrees but less than or equal to 39 degrees;
 - b) A kinematic viscosity at 40°C of greater than or equal to 1.9 centistokes, but less than or equal to 4.1 centistokes, if the gravity was not determined by comparison with the supplier's certification;
 - c) A flash point equal to or greater than 125°F; and
 - d) A clear and bright appearance with proper color when tested in accordance with ASTM-D4176-82.
 - 2) By verifying within 30 days of obtaining the sample that the other properties specified in Table 1 of ASTM-D975-81 are met when tested in accordance with ASTM-D975-81 except that the analysis for sulfur may be performed in accordance with ASTM-D1552-79 or ASTM-D2622-82.
- e. At least once every 31 days by obtaining a sample of fuel oil from the storage tank, in accordance with ASTM-D2276-78, and verifying that total particulate contamination is less than 10 mg/liter when checked in accordance with ASTM-D2276-78, Method A.
- f. At least once per 18 months, during shutdown, by:
 - 1) (Not used.)
 - 2) Verifying the generator capability to reject a load of greater than or equal to 1034 kW while maintaining voltage at 4160 ± 420 volts and frequency at 60 ± 4.5 Hz, (transient state), 60 ± 1.2 Hz (steady state).

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- 3) Verifying the diesel generator capability to reject a load of 5500 kW without tripping. The generator voltage shall not exceed 4784 volts during and following the load rejection,
- 4) Simulating a loss of ESF bus voltage by itself, and:
 - a) Verifying de-energization of the ESF busses and load shedding from the ESF busses, and
 - b) Verifying the diesel starts on the auto-start signal, energizes the ESF busses with permanently connected loads within 10 seconds, energizes the auto-connected safe shutdown loads through the load sequencing timer and operates for greater than or equal to 5 minutes while its generator is loaded with the shutdown loads. After energization, the steady-state voltage and frequency of the ESF busses shall be maintained at 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz during this test.
- 5) Verifying that on an ESF Actuation test signal without loss of ESF bus voltages, the diesel generator starts on the auto-start signal and operates on standby for greater than or equal to 5 minutes. The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds after the auto-start signal; the generator steady state generator voltage and frequency shall be maintained within these limits during this test;
- 6) Simulating a loss of ESF bus voltage in conjunction with an ESF Actuation test signal, and
 - a) Verifying deenergization of the ESF busses and load shedding from the ESF busses;
 - b) Verifying the diesel starts on the auto-start signal, energizes the ESF busses with permanently connected loads within 10 seconds, energizes the auto-connected emergency (accident) loads through the LOCA sequencer and operates for greater than or equal to 5 minutes while its generator is loaded with emergency loads. After energization, the steady-state voltage and frequency of the ESF busses shall be maintained at 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz during this test; and
 - c) Verifying that all automatic diesel generator trips, except engine overspeed and generator differential, are automatically bypassed upon loss-of-voltage on the emergency bus concurrent with a Safety Injection Actuation signal.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- 7) Verifying the diesel generator operates for at least 24 hours. During the first 2 hours of this test, the diesel generator loading shall be equivalent to the 2-hour rating of 6050 kW* and during the remaining 22 hours of this test, the diesel generator shall be loaded to greater than or equal to 5500 kW. The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds after the start signal; the steady-state generator voltage and frequency shall be maintained within these limits during this test. Within 5 minutes after completing this 24-hour test, perform Specification 4.8.1.1.2.a.4;
- 8) Verifying that the auto-connected loads to each diesel generator do not exceed the 2000-hour rating of 5935 kW;
- 9) Verifying the diesel generator's capability to:
 - a) Synchronize with the offsite power source while the generator is loaded with its emergency loads upon a simulated restoration of offsite power,
 - b) Transfer its loads to the offsite power source, and
 - c) Be restored to its standby status.
- 10) Verifying that with the diesel generator operating in a test mode, connected to its bus, a simulated Safety Injection signal overrides the test mode by: (1) returning the diesel generator to standby operation and (2) automatically energizing the emergency loads with offsite power;
- 11) Verifying that the fuel transfer pump transfers fuel from each fuel storage tank to the day tank of each diesel via the installed cross-connection lines;
- 12) Verifying that the automatic LOCA and Shutdown sequence timer is OPERABLE with the interval between each load block within $\pm 10\%$ of its design interval; and

*Instantaneous loads of 6050 kW (+0, -150) are acceptable as equivalent to the 2-hour rating provided voltage and frequency requirements and cooling system functioning requirements are verified to be within design limits at 6050 kW.

**If Specification 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 is not satisfactorily completed, it is not necessary to repeat the preceding 24-hour test. Instead, the diesel generator may be operated at 5500 kW for 2 hours or until operating temperature has stabilized.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- 13) Verifying that the following diesel generator lockout features prevent diesel generator starting only when required:
 - a) Turning gear engaged, and
 - b) Emergency stop.

- g. At least once per 10 years or after any modifications which could affect diesel generator interdependence by starting both diesel generators simultaneously, during shutdown, and verifying that both diesel generators accelerate to at least 600 rpm in less than or equal to 10 seconds;

- h. At least once per 10 years by:
 - 1) Draining each fuel oil storage tank, removing the accumulated sediment and cleaning the tank using a sodium hypochlorite solution, and
 - 2) Performing a pressure test of those portions of the diesel fuel oil system designed to Section III, subsection ND of the ASME Code at a test pressure equal to 110 percent of the system design pressure.

- i. At least once per 31 days by:
 - *1) Verifying the capability of crosstieing the Unit 2 A diesel generator to Bus 141 by independently performing the following:
 - a) Synchronizing the Unit 2, A diesel generator to Bus 241.
 - b) Closing breaker 1414, and
 - c) Closing breaker 2414.
 - **2) Verifying the capability of crosstieing the Unit 1 A diesel generator to Bus 241 by independently performing the following:
 - a) Synchronizing the Unit 1, A diesel generator to Bus 141,
 - b) Closing breaker 1414, and
 - c) Closing breaker 2414.

- j. At least once per 18 months by:
 - *1) Crosstieing the 2A diesel generator to Bus 141.
 - **2) Crosstieing the 1A diesel generator to Bus 241.

4.8.1.1.3 (Not Used)

*Only required for Unit 1 operation in MODES 1, 2, or 3.
**Only required for Unit 2 operation in MODES 1, 2, or 3.

Table 4.8-1

(THIS TABLE NOT USED)

3/4.8 ELECTRICAL POW^{ER} SYSTEMS

BASES

3/4.8.1, 3/4.8.2 and 3/4.8.3 A.C. SOURCES, D.C. SOURCES, and ONSITE POWER DISTRIBUTION

The OPERABILITY of the A.C. and D.C power sources and associated distribution systems during operation ensures that sufficient power will be available to supply the safety-related equipment required for: (1) the safe shutdown of the facility, and (2) the mitigation and control of accident conditions within the facility. The minimum specified independent and redundant A.C. and D.C. power sources and distribution systems satisfy the requirements of General Design Criterion 17 of Appendix A to 10 CFR Part 50.

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. STN 50-456

BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 71
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 June 8, 1995, 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-72 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 71 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 and shall be implemented within 90 days.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 71
License No. NPF-77

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 - 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-77 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(2) Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A as revised through Amendment No. 71 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.

3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance and shall be implemented within 90 days.

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3/4.8 ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS

3/4.8.1 A.C. SOURCES

OPERATING

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

3.8.1.1 As a minimum, the following A.C. electrical power sources shall be OPERABLE:

- a. Each Class 1E 4160 volt bus capable of being powered from:
 - 1) Either transformer of a given units normal System Auxiliary Transformer bank, and
 - 2) Either transformer of the other units System Auxiliary Transformers bank, with

Each units System Auxiliary Transformer bank energized from an independent transmission circuit.

- b. Two separate and independent diesel generators, each with:
 - 1) A separate day tank containing a minimum volume of 450 gallons of fuel,
 - 2) A separate Fuel Oil Storage System containing a minimum volume of 44,000 gallons of fuel, and
 - 3) A separate fuel transfer pump.

APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3, and 4.

ACTION:

- a. With either an offsite circuit or diesel generator of the above required A.C. electrical power sources inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining A.C. sources by performing Specification 4.8.1.1.1a within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter; if the inoperable component is the diesel generator and the diesel generator became inoperable due to any cause other than an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance or testing, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 24 hours, unless the absence of any potential common mode failure for the remaining diesel generator is demonstrated. Restore at least two offsite circuits and two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- b. With one offsite circuit and one diesel generator of the above required A.C. electrical power sources inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of the remaining A.C. sources by performing Specifications 4.8.1.1.1a within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter. If the diesel generator became inoperable due to any cause other than an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance or testing, demonstrate

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the OPERABILITY of the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator by performing Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 8 hours, unless the absence of any potential common mode failure for the remaining diesel generator is demonstrated. Restore at least one of the inoperable sources to OPERABLE status within 12 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours. Restore at least two offsite circuits and two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from the time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

- c. With one diesel generator inoperable in addition to ACTION a. or b. above, verify that:
1. All required systems, subsystems, trains, components and devices that depend on the remaining OPERABLE diesel generator as a source of emergency power are also OPERABLE, and
 2. When in MODE 1, 2, or 3, the diesel-driven auxiliary feedwater pump is OPERABLE and the other Unit's A Diesel Generator is OPERABLE, if the inoperable diesel generator is the emergency power supply for the motor-driven auxiliary feedwater pump.

If these conditions are not satisfied within 2 hours be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

- d. With two of the above required offsite A.C. circuits inoperable; restore at least one of the inoperable offsite sources to OPERABLE status within 24 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours. With only one offsite source restored, restore at least two offsite circuits to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.
- e. With two of the above required diesel generators inoperable, demonstrate the OPERABILITY of two offsite A.C. circuits by performing Specification 4.8.1.1.1a. within 1 hour and at least once per 8 hours thereafter; restore at least one of the inoperable diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 2 hours or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours. Restore at least two diesel generators to OPERABLE status within 72 hours from time of initial loss or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

4.8.1.1.1 Each of the above required independent circuits between the offsite transmission network and the Onsite Class 1E Distribution System shall be:

- a. Determined OPERABLE at least once per 7 days by verifying correct breaker alignments, indicated power availability, and
- b. Demonstrated OPERABLE at least once per 18 months during shutdown by transferring manually unit power supply from the normal circuit to the alternate circuit.

4.8.1.1.2 Each diesel generator shall be demonstrated OPERABLE:

- a. At least once per 31 days on a STAGGERED TEST BASIS by:
 - 1) Verifying the fuel level in the day tank,
 - 2) Verifying the fuel level in the fuel storage tank,
 - 3) Verifying the fuel transfer pump starts and transfers fuel from the storage system to the day tank,
 - 4) Verifying the diesel starts from ambient condition and accelerates to at least 600 rpm in less than or equal to 10 seconds.* The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds* after the start signal. The diesel generator shall be started for this test by using one of the following signals:
 - a) Manual, or
 - b) Simulated loss of ESF bus voltage by itself, or
 - c) Simulated loss of ESF bus voltage in conjunction with an ESF actuation test signal, or
 - d) An ESF actuation test signal by itself.
 - 5) Verifying the generator is synchronized, loaded to greater than or equal to 5500 kW in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations*, operates with a load greater than or equal to 5500 kW for at least 60 minutes, and
 - 6) Verifying the diesel generator is aligned to provide standby power to the associated ESF busses.
- b. At least once per 31 days and after each operation of the diesel where the period of operation was greater than or equal to 1 hour by checking for and removing accumulated water from the day tanks;

*The diesel generator start (10 sec) from ambient conditions shall be performed at least once per 184 days in these surveillance tests. All other engine starts for the purpose of this surveillance testing may be preceded by an engine prelude period and/or other warmup procedures recommended by the manufacturer so that mechanical stress and wear on the diesel engine is minimized.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- c. At least once per 31 days by checking for and removing accumulated water from the fuel oil storage tanks;
- d. By sampling new fuel oil in accordance with ASTM-D4057 prior to addition to storage tanks and:
 - 1) By verifying in accordance with the tests specified in ASTM-D975-81 prior to addition to the storage tanks that the sample has:
 - a) An API Gravity of within 0.3 degrees at 60°F, or a specific gravity of within 0.0016 at 60°F, when compared to the supplier's certificate, or an absolute specific gravity at 60°F of greater than or equal to 0.83 but less than or equal to 0.89, or an API gravity of greater than or equal to 27 degrees but less than or equal to 39 degrees;
 - b) A kinematic viscosity at 40°C of greater than or equal to 1.9 centistokes, but less than or equal to 4.1 centistokes, if the gravity was not determined by comparison with the supplier's certification;
 - c) A flash point equal to or greater than 125°F; and
 - d) A clear and bright appearance with proper color when tested in accordance with ASTM-D4176-82.
 - 2) By verifying within 30 days of obtaining the sample that the other properties specified in Table 1 of ASTM-D975-81 are met when tested in accordance with ASTM-D975-81 except that the analysis for sulfur may be performed in accordance with ASTM-D1552-79 or ASTM-D2622-82.
- e. At least once every 31 days by obtaining a sample of fuel oil from the storage tank, in accordance with ASTM-D2276-78, and verifying that total particulate contamination is less than 10 mg/liter when checked in accordance with ASTM-D2276-78, Method A.
- f. At least once per 18 months, during shutdown, by:
 - 1) (Not used)
 - 2) Verifying the generator capability to reject a load of greater than or equal to 1034 kW while maintaining voltage at 4160 ± 420 volts and frequency at 60 ± 4.5 Hz, (transient state), 60 ± 1.2 Hz (steady state).

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- 3) Verifying the diesel generator capability to reject a load of 5500 kW without tripping. The generator voltage shall not exceed 4784 volts during and following the load rejection,
- 4) Simulating a loss of ESF bus voltage by itself, and:
 - a) Verifying de-energization of the ESF busses and load shedding from the ESF busses, and
 - b) Verifying the diesel starts on the auto-start signal, energizes the ESF busses with permanently connected loads within 10 seconds, energizes the auto-connected safe shutdown loads through the load sequencing timer and operates for greater than or equal to 5 minutes while its generator is loaded with the shutdown loads. After energization, the steady-state voltage and frequency of the ESF busses shall be maintained at 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz during this test.
- 5) Verifying that on an ESF Actuation test signal without loss of ESF bus voltages, the diesel generator starts on the auto-start signal and operates on standby for greater than or equal to 5 minutes. The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds after the auto-start signal; the generator steady state generator voltage and frequency shall be maintained within these limits during this test;
- 6) Simulating a loss of ESF bus voltage in conjunction with an ESF Actuation test signal, and
 - a) Verifying deenergization of the ESF busses and load shedding from the ESF busses;
 - b) Verifying the diesel starts on the auto-start signal, energizes the ESF busses with permanently connected emergency (accident) loads through the LOCA sequencer and operates for greater than or equal to 5 minutes while its generator is loaded with emergency loads. After energization, the steady-state voltage and frequency of the ESF busses shall be maintained at 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz during this test; and
 - c) Verifying that all automatic diesel generator trips, except engine overspeed and generator differential, are automatically bypassed upon loss-of-voltage on the emergency bus concurrent with a Safety Injection Actuation signal.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- 7) Verifying the diesel generator operates for at least 24 hours. During the first 2 hours of this test, the diesel generator loading shall be equivalent to the 2-hour rating of 6050 kW* and during the remaining 22 hours of this test, the diesel generator shall be loaded to greater than or equal to 5500 kW. The generator voltage and frequency shall be 4160 ± 420 volts and 60 ± 1.2 Hz within 10 seconds after the start signal; the steady-state generator voltage and frequency shall be maintained within these limits during this test. Within 5 minutes after completing this 24-hour test, perform Specification 4.8.1.1.2.a.4;**
- 8) Verifying that the auto-connected loads to each diesel generator do not exceed the 2000-hour rating of 5935 kW;
- 9) Verifying the diesel generator's capability to:
 - a) Synchronize with the offsite power source while the generator is loaded with its emergency loads upon a simulated restoration of offsite power,
 - b) Transfer its loads to the offsite power source, and
 - c) Be restored to its standby status.
- 10) Verifying that with the diesel generator operating in a test mode, connected to its bus, a simulated Safety Injection signal overrides the test mode by: (1) returning the diesel generator to standby operation and (2) automatically energizing the emergency loads with offsite power;
- 11) Verifying that the fuel transfer pump transfers fuel from each fuel storage tank to the day tank of each diesel via the installed cross-connection lines;
- 12) Verifying that the automatic LOCA and Shutdown sequence timer is OPERABLE with the interval between each load block within $\pm 10\%$ of its design interval; and

*Instantaneous loads of 6050 kW (+0, -150) are acceptable as equivalent to the 2-hour rating provided voltage and frequency requirements and cooling system functioning requirements are verified to be within design limits at 6050 kW.

**If Specification 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 is not satisfactorily completed, it is not necessary to repeat the preceding 24-hour test. Instead, the diesel generator may be operated at 5500 kW for 2 hours or until operating temperature has stabilized.

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SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

- 13) Verifying that the following diesel generator lockout features prevent diesel generator starting only when required:
 - a) Turning gear engaged, and
 - b) Emergency stop.
- g. At least once per 10 years or after any modifications which could affect diesel generator interdependence by starting both diesel generators simultaneously, during shutdown, and verifying that both diesel generators accelerate to at least 600 rpm in less than or equal to 10 seconds;
- h. At least once per 10 years by:
 - 1) Draining each fuel oil storage tank, removing the accumulated sediment and cleaning the tank using a sodium hypochlorite solution, and
 - 2) Performing a pressure test of those portions of the diesel fuel oil system designed to Section III, subsection ND of the ASME Code at a test pressure equal to 110 percent of the system design pressure.
- i. At least once per 31 days by:
 - *1) Verifying the capability of crosstieing the Unit 2, A diesel generator to Bus 141 by independently performing the following:
 - a) Synchronizing the Unit 2, A diesel generator to Bus 241.
 - b) Closing breaker 1414, and
 - c) Closing breaker 2414.
 - **2) Verifying the capability of crosstieing the Unit 1 A diesel generator to Bus 241 by independently performing the following:
 - a) Synchronizing the Unit 1, A diesel generator to Bus 141,
 - b) Closing breaker 1414, and
 - c) Closing breaker 2414.
- j. At least once per 18 months by:
 - *1) Crosstieing the 2A diesel generator to Bus 141.
 - **2) Crosstieing the 1A diesel generator to Bus 241.

4.8.1.1.3 (Not Used)

*Only required for Unit 1 operation in MODES 1, 2, or 3.
**Only required for Unit 2 operation in MODES 1, 2, or 3.

Table 4.8-1

(This Table Not Used.)

BASES

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BRAIDWOOD STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

By application dated June 8, 1995, Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee) requested changes to the Technical Specifications (TS) for Byron Station, Units 1 and 2, and Braidwood Station, Units 1 and 2. The proposed changes would revise TS 3/4.8.1 by (1) replacing Table 4.8-1, "Diesel Generator Test Schedule," with a single surveillance interval of at least once per 31 days, and (2) deleting TS 4.8.1.1.3, "Reports." The NRC provided guidance on the proposed TS changes in Generic Letter (GL) 94-01, "Removal of Accelerated Testing and Special Reporting Requirements for Emergency Diesel Generators," dated May 31, 1994.

The proposed amendments would also use the guidance of GL 93-05 to revise the ACTION statements of TS 3.8.1.1 as follows:

1. ACTION "a" would be revised to eliminate the requirement to demonstrate the operability of the emergency diesel generators (EDG) by performing Surveillance Requirement (SR) 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 24 hours if only an offsite circuit becomes inoperable. In addition, ACTION "a" would be revised to eliminate diesel generator testing requirements if a single diesel generator becomes inoperable due to an inoperable support system, independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance testing. The proposed change would also require the licensee to perform SR 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 24 hours if the EDG becomes inoperable due to any cause other than those just listed.
2. ACTION "b" would be revised to eliminate testing when an EDG becomes inoperable due to an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance or testing. The proposed

change would also require the licensee to perform SR 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 8 hours, unless the absence of any potential common mode failure for the remaining EDG is demonstrated.

3. ACTION "d" would be revised to delete the requirement to perform SR 4.8.1.1.2.a.4 within 8 hours.
4. The time requirement associated with the fast load test of SR 4.8.1.1.2.a.5 would be changed from "...within 60 seconds" to "...in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations." The 60 second reference in the footnote associated with this item would also be deleted.
5. SR 4.8.1.1.2.f.7 would be revised to require that SR 4.8.1.1.2.a.4, as opposed to SR 4.8.1.1.2.f.4.b), be performed within 5 minutes after completing the 24 hour run. The footnote associated with this item would also be changed.

2.0 EVALUATION

The surveillance interval for the testing of EDGs is currently governed by TS 3.8.1.1 which gives a diesel generator test schedule based on the number of EDG failures experienced in the last 20 tests. The practice of increasing the testing frequency with the number of failures is commonly referred to as accelerated testing. Accelerated testing is begun when an EDG experiences two or more failures in the last 20 tests. This increased test frequency continues until seven failure-free tests have been performed and the number of failures in the last 20 tests is reduced to one or zero.

As stated in GL 94-01, the staff has concluded that implementing the provisions of 10 CFR 50.65, "Requirements for Monitoring the Effectiveness of Maintenance at Nuclear Power Plants" (the Maintenance Rule), including the applicable regulatory guidance, will ensure reliable EDG performance. Measures to be implemented in accordance with the maintenance rule include detailed root cause analysis of individual EDG failures, corrective actions to individual EDG failures, and implementation of EDG preventive maintenance. The staff has determined that the implementation of these measures will justify removing the accelerated testing requirements.

In its application dated June 8, 1995, the licensee committed to implement, within 90 days of issuance of the license amendment, an "Alternative Approach" to 10 CFR 50.65 for the EDG system. The licensee's approach is considered an "Alternative Approach" because it makes two exceptions to the regulatory interpretation of industry guidelines. First, the licensee's approach considers the system boundaries to be those outlined in Figure 1 of Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.9 as opposed to all systems related to the EDG. Second, the licensee's approach does not specifically account for evaluating the impact on safety when the EDG is removed from service. This section of the Maintenance Rule is not specific to the EDG and will be implemented in 1996 along with the implementation of the Maintenance Rule for all affected systems, structures,

and components. The staff finds the licensee's "Alternative Approach" to be acceptable; furthermore, on the basis of the licensee's commitment to implement this maintenance program, the staff finds acceptable the proposed changes to (1) TS 3/4.8.1 to remove reference to Table 4.8-1 for test intervals, and (2) to remove accelerated testing requirements for EDGs.

The licensee proposes to delete TS 4.8.1.1.3, which requires licensees to report EDG failures to the NRC. The reporting requirements of TS 4.8.1.1.3 are associated with guidance contained in RG 1.108, "Periodic Testing of Diesel Generator Units Used as Onsite Electric Power Systems at Nuclear Power Plants." In developing GL 94-01, the staff determined that existing reporting requirements, such as those of 10 CFR 50.73, are adequate to ensure that the NRC learns of significant problems with EDG performance; therefore, the staff finds the deletion of TS 4.8.1.1.3 to be acceptable.

The licensee proposes to relocate Surveillance Requirement 4.8.1.1.2.d.1, which requires, at least once per 18 months during shutdown, subjecting the diesel to an inspection in accordance with the procedures prepared in conjunction with its manufacturer's recommendations for this class of standby service to the licensee maintenance program. The licensee states that vendor recommended inspections will continue as part of the overall maintenance program implemented as their "alternate approach" to 10 CFR 50.65 for the EDG system. The relocated provision for performing the inspection would be controlled in accordance with the programs and procedures governing the EDG maintenance program. As discussed above, the staff has concluded that such maintenance programs adequately ensure reliable EDG performance. In addition, existing surveillance testing is retained in the technical specifications in order to ensure that the EDGs are capable of performing their safety functions. The staff finds the proposed change acceptable.

The licensee proposes several changes under the guidance of GL 93-05. This GL provided guidance for implementing line-item TS improvements proposed by NUREG-1366, "Improvements to Technical Specification Surveillance Requirements." The licensee's proposed changes modify several sections of TS 3.8.1.1: (1) to eliminate the requirement to perform diesel starts from ambient conditions under various circumstances; (2) to remove the requirements for diesel testing when another diesel is inoperable due to an inoperable support system, an independently testable component, or preplanned maintenance; (3) to replace a requirement for generator loading and stabilization "within 60 seconds" with a requirement for loading and stabilization "in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations"; and (4) to replace the requirement for a 5 minute run test following the 24-hour EDG surveillance with a requirement for a hot start test.

The staff has reviewed these proposed changes (described in Subparagraphs 1-5 of Section 1.0 of this report) and has determined that they are generally consistent with the guidance of NUREG-1366 and of GL 93-05.

The licensee has proposed an exception to the NUREG-1366 recommendation related to action statements related to the testing of EDGs in response to the inoperability of other EDGs. In lieu of testing remaining EDGs within 8 hours

of determining an EDG is inoperable, as recommended in NUREG-1366, the licensee has proposed to retain current TS requirements that generally require tests within 24 hours for single reductions in electrical power sources (onsite) and require testing within 8 hours for multiple reductions in electrical power sources (onsite and/or offsite). The staff finds that the licensee's proposed retention of current action statement requirements is adequate to provide confidence in the supply of redundant electrical supplies to plant equipment. In regard to the replacement of the TS 4.8.1.1.2.a.5 requirement for loading to greater than 5500 kW "within 60 seconds" with "in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations", the licensee's proposed change is consistent with NUREG-1366 recommendations for limiting EDG degradation due to testing practices. The ability of the EDGs to sequence to its associated electrical bus under simulated emergency conditions is retained as an 18-month surveillance requirement. As discussed in NUREG-1366, the hot-restart test following the 24-hour performance test is performed to verify that the diesel generator does not have, in any way, impaired performance following operation at full load or equilibrium temperature. NUREG-1366 recommended that the hot-start test following the 24-hour EDG test should be a simple EDG start test. As discussed in NUREG-1366 and the licensee's submittal, the required scheduling of tests in the existing TS complicate activities during refueling outages and is unnecessary, compared to performing separate testing for each functional requirement, to ensure adequate EDG performance. The proposed TS continue to require that each functional requirement of the EDG (including extended EDG operation, hot-restart, and EDG sequencing requirements) are periodically tested. The staff finds the proposed changes acceptable.

Finally, footnotes on pages 3/4 8-2 and 3/4 8-7 are removed from the Byron 1 TSs. The footnotes refer to the Unit 2 diesel generator availability and were placed in the Unit 1 TSs because Unit 2 was not yet licensed to operate. However, upon issuance of the Unit 2 license, they are no longer required because the Unit 2 diesels are now controlled by TS. Outdated footnotes related to the extension of surveillance intervals for Cycle 1 of Byron and Braidwood are also deleted. These change are administrative in nature and do not affect plant safety.

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

The amendments change a requirement with respect to the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20 and change surveillance requirements. The NRC staff has determined that the amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types, of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative

occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that the amendments involve no significant hazards consideration, and there has been no public comment on such finding (60 FR 45176). Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). 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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