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MEMORANDUM FOR: Sholly Coordinator

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION IN BIWEEKLY FR NOTICE - NOTICE OF
CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO FACILITY OPERATING
LICENSE AND PROPOSED NO SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS CONSIDERATION
DETERMINATION AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING (TAC NOS. 69808/9)

Commonwealth Edison Company, Docket Nos. 50-254 and 50-265, Quad Cities Nuclear
Power Station, Units 1 and 2, Rock Island County, Illinois

Date of application for amendments: October 5, 1988

Description of amendments request: This amendment would delete Figure 6.1-1, "Corporate Organization," and Figure 6.1-2, "Station Organization," from the Technical Specifications (TS) and would revise Section 6 to require inclusion of these organization charts in the QA Topical Report. However, the NRC will continue to be notified of licensee organization changes through other regulatory controls. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.34(b)(6)(f), the applicant's organizational structure is required to be included in the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR). Chapter 13 of the FSAR provides a description of the station organization and a detailed organization chart. Updates to the FSAR are required by 10 CFR 50.71(e) to be submitted annually to the NRC. Even though Figures 6.1-1 and 6.1-2 would be deleted from TS, Section 6 of the TS would be revised to require inclusion of these organization charts in the CECO QA Topical. Whereupon, Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50, and 10 CFR 50.4(b)(7),

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will govern any changes made to the organization as it is described in the Quality Assurance (QA) Program. Finally, it is CECO's normal practice to inform the NRC of organizational changes affecting their nuclear facilities prior to implementation.

Basis for proposed no significant hazards consideration determination: The Commission has provided standards in 10 CFR 50.92(c) for determining whether a significant hazards consideration exists. A proposed amendment to an Operating License for a facility involves no significant hazards consideration if operation of the facility in accordance with the proposed amendment would not: (1) involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated, (2) involve a significant increase in the probability of a new or different kind of accident from any accident previously evaluated, or (3) involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety. CECO evaluated the proposed TS changes and determined, and the NRC staff agrees that:

(1) The proposed amendment does not involve a significant increase in the probability or consequences of an accident previously evaluated because deletion of the organization charts from the TS does not affect plant operation, nor does it involve any physical modification of the plant. Furthermore, the aforementioned administrative and regulatory controls remain in force to ensure that organizational changes are reviewed by the NRC.

(2) The proposed amendment does not create the possibility of a new or different kind of accident than previously evaluated because the proposed change is administrative in nature; and does not physically alter any systems or components, or the way they are operated.

(3) The proposed amendment does not involve a significant reduction in a margin of safety because CECO through its Quality Assurance programs, and its commitment to maintain only qualified personnel in positions of responsibility, and other required controls, assures that safety-related operations will be performed at a high level of competence. Furthermore, this amendment does not change any setpoints or operating parameters. Consequently, removal of organization charts from the Technical Specifications will not affect the margin of safety. The NRC staff has reviewed the licensee's evaluation related to the proposed changes and concurs with their conclusions.

In addition, the associated editorial TS changes proposed by CECO are considered representative of example (i) in the Commission's guidance (51 FR 7751) for examples of no significant hazards, which is defined as "a purely administrative change to TS; for example a change to achieve consistency throughout the Technical Specifications, correction of an error, or change in nomenclature."

Therefore the NRC staff proposes to determine that this amendment request does not involve significant hazards considerations based upon a preliminary review of the application, the licensee's evaluation of no significant hazards, and NRC guidance.

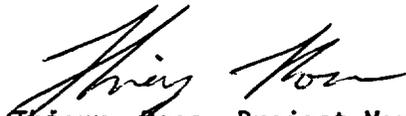
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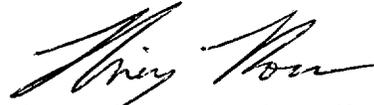
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