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AND M91051)

Dear Mr. Farrar:

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The Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact has been forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication.

Sincerely,

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

AND

IOWA-ILLINOIS GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

QUAD CITIES NUCLEAR POWER STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

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ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF

NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-29 and DPR-30, issued to Commonwealth Edison Company (ComEd, the licensee) for operation and Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company (IIGEC) for possession of the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, located in Rock Island County, Illinois.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Identification of the Proposed Action

The proposed action would revise the operating license to reflect the transfer of IIGEC's 25 percent ownership in Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2, through the merger of IIGEC, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican), Midwest Power Systems Inc. and Midwest Resources Inc., with MidAmerican as the surviving entity from the merger. Quad Cities is operated by ComEd on behalf of IIGEC. Commonwealth Edison Company, alone, is licensed to operate Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2. The proposed action is in accordance with ComEd's application dated February 23, 1995.

The Need for the Proposed Action

The proposed action is required to reflect the ownership change discussed above. The amendment reflecting the transfer of IIGEC's interest in the license will have minimal impact on the operation of the facility by ComEd. The transfer and amendment will not affect the facility's Technical Specifications, license conditions, or the organization and practices of ComEd.

Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed license amendment and concludes that there will be no changes to Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2, or the environment as a result of this action. The transfer of IIGEC's possession-only interest in the license and the associated license amendment will not affect the numbers, qualifications, or organizational affiliation of the personnel who operate the facility, as ComEd will remain the holder of the operating license and continue to be responsible for the operation of Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2.

The Commission has evaluated the environmental impact of the proposed action and has determined that the probability or consequences of accidents would not be increased by the transfer of ownership, and that post-accident radiological releases would not be greater than previously determined. Further, the Commission has determined that the transfer of ownership would not affect routine radiological plant effluents and would not increase occupational radiological exposure. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential non-radiological impacts, the transfer of ownership would not affect nonradiological plant effluents and would have no other environmental impact. Therefore, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

Alternative to the Proposed Action

Since the Commission has concluded that the environmental effects of the proposed action are not significant, any alternative with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. The principal alternative would be to deny the requested approval. Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts. The environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are identical.

Alternative Use of Resources

This action does not involve the use of resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement related to operation of Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2, dated September 1972.

Agencies and Persons Consulted

The NRC staff reviewed the licensee's request and consulted with the Illinois State official regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

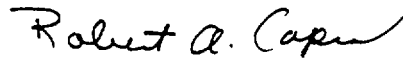
Based upon the foregoing environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined

not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed license amendment.

For further details with respect to this action, see the licensee's submittal dated February 23, 1995, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Dixon Public Library, 221 Hennepin Avenue, Dixon, Illinois.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 21st day of March 1995.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2

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