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Docket Nos: 50-373 and 50-374

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Dear Mr. Farrar:

Subject: Issuance of Amendment No. 35 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-11 and Amendment No. 19 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-18 - La Salle County Station, Units 1 and 2

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 35 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-11 and Amendment No. 19 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-18 for the La Salle County Station, Units 1 and 2.

These amendments are in response to your letter dated December 3, 1985. The amendments revise the La Salle Unit 1 and 2 Technical Specifications to allow an alternate method for controlling access to high radiation areas, and this alternative method requires a Radiation Work Permit for entry into a high radiation area. In addition, you redefined the high radiation areas by being more conservative.

A copy of the related safety evaluation supporting Amendment No. 35 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-11 and Amendment No. 19 to Facility Operating License NPF-18 is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

- 1. Amendment No. 35 to NPF-11
- 2. Amendment No. 19 to NPF-18
- 3. Safety Evaluation

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COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-373

LA SALLE COUNTY STATION, UNIT 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 35 License No. NPF-11

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) having found that:
 - A. The application for amendment filed by the Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee), dated December 3, 1985, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's 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 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 set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - 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.
- Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the enclosure to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of the Facility Operating License No. NPF-11 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - (2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 35, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan.

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FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Enclosure: Changes to the Technical Specifications

Date of Issuance: MAR 12 1966

ENCLOSURE TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 35

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-11

DOCKET NO. 50-373

Replace the following page of the Appendix "A" Technical Specifications with the enclosed page. The revised page is identified by Amendment number and contains a vertical line indicating the area of change.

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ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

6.1.1 HIGH RADIATION AREAS

6.1.1.1 Pursuant to Paragraph 20.203(c)(5) of 10 CFR 20, in lieu of the "control device" or "alarm signal" required by paragraph 20.203(c)(2) of 10 CFR 20, each high radiation area in which the intensity of radiation is greater than 100 mrem/hr* but less than 1000 mrem/hr* shall be barricaded and conspicuously posted as a High Radiation Area and entrance thereto shall be controlled by requiring issuance of a Radiation Work Permit (RWP). Individuals qualified in radiation protection procedures, i.e., a Rad/Chem technician, or personnel continuously escorted by such individuals, may be exempt from the RWP issuance requirement during the performance of their assigned duties in high radiation areas in which the intensity of radiation is greater than 100 mrem/ hr* but less than 1000 mrem/hr*, provided they are otherwise following plant radiation protection procedures for entry into such high radiation areas. Any individual or group of individuals permitted to enter such areas shall be provided with or accompanied by one or more of the following:

- a. A radiation monitoring device which continuously indicates the radiation dose in the area.
- b. A radiation monitoring device which continuously integrates the radiation dose rate in the area and alarms when a preset integrated dose is received. Entry into such areas with this monitoring device may be made after the dose rate level in the area has been established and personnel have been made knowledgeable of them.
- c. A health physics qualified individual, i.e., qualified in radiation protection procedures, with a radiation dose rate monitoring device, who is responsible for providing positive control over the activities within the area and shall perform periodic radiation surveillance at the frequency specified by the Health Physicist in the Radiation Work Permit (RWP).

6.1.1.2 In addition to the requirements of 6.1.1.1, above, for areas accessible to personnel with radiation levels such that a major portion of the body could receive in one hour a dose greater than 1000 mrem*, the computer shall be programmed to permit entry through locked doors for any individual requiring access to any such High-High Radiation Areas for the time that access is required.

6.1.1.3 Keys to manually open computer controlled High Radiation Area doors and High-High Radiation Area doors shall be maintained under the Administration control of the Shift Supervisor on duty and/or the Health Physicist.

6.1.1.4 High-High Radiation areas, as defined in 6.1.1.2 above, not equipped with the computerized card readers shall be maintained in accordance with 10 CFR 20.203 c.2 (iii), locked except during periods when access to the area is required with positive control over each individual entry, or 10 CFR 20.203.c.4. In the case of a High Radiation Area established for a period of 30 days or less, direct surveillance to prevent unauthorized entry may be substituted. Doors shall remain locked except during periods of access by personnel under an approved RWP which shall specify the dose rate levels in the immediate work area and the maximum allowable stay time for individuals in that area. For individual areas accessible to personnel with radiation levels such that a major portion of the body could receive in one hour a dose in excess of 1000 mrem* that are located within

*Measurement made at 18" from source of radioactivity.



COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NO. 50-374

LA SALLE COUNTY STATION, UNIT 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 19 License No. NPF-18

- The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission or the NRC) having found that:
 - A. The application for amendment filed by the Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee), dated December 3, 1985, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's 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 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 set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
 - 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.
- Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the enclosure to this license amendment and paragraph 2.C.(2) of the Facility Operating License No. NPF-18 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - (2) Technical Specifications and Environmental Protection Plan

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendix A, as revised through Amendment No. 19, and the Environmental Protection Plan contained in Appendix B, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications and the Environmental Protection Plan. 3. This amendment is effective as of date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Enclosure: Changes to the Technical Specifications

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ENCLOSURE TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NO. 19

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-18

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LA SALLE - UNIT 2

Amendment No. 19

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ADMINISTRATION CONTROLS

HIGH RADIATION AREAS (Continued)

major portion of the body could receive in one hour a dose in excess of 1000 mrem* that are located within large areas, such as the containment, where no enclosure exists for purposes of locking, and no enclosure can be reasonably constructed around the individual areas, then that area shall be roped off, conspicuously posted and a flashing light shall be activated as a warning device. In lieu of the stay time specification of the RWP, direct or remote, such as use of closed circuit TV cameras, continuous surveillance may be made by personnel qualified in radiation protection procedures to provide positive exposure control over the activities within the area.

6.2 PLANT OPERATING PROCEDURES AND PROGRAMS

- A. Detailed written procedures including applicable checkoff lists covering items listed below shall be prepared, approved, and adhered to:
 - 1. The applicable procedures recommended in Appendix "A" of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, February 1978.
 - 2. Refueling operations.
 - Actions to be taken to correct specific and foreseen potential malfunctions of systems or components including responses to alarms, suspected primary system leaks, and abnormal reactivity changes.
 - Emergency conditions involving potential or actual release of radioactivity - "Generating Stations Emergency Plan" and station emergency and abnormal procedures.
 - 5. Instrumentation operation which could have an effect on the safety of the facility.
 - 6. Preventive and corrective maintenance operations which could have an effect on the safety of the facility.
 - 7. Surveillance and testing requirements.
 - 8. Tests and experiments.
 - 9. Procedure to ensure safe shutdown of the plant.
 - 10. Station Security Plan and implementation procedures.
 - 11. Fire Protection Program implementation.
 - 12. Process Control Program implementation.
 - 13. OFFSITE DOSE CALCULATION MANUAL implementation.
 - 14. Company Quality Assurance Program and Procedures for effluent and environmental monitoring, using the guidance in Regulatory Guide 4.15, December 1977.

^{*}Measurement made at 18" from source of radioactivity.



SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION

SUPPORTING AMENDMENT NO. 35 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-11 AND

AMENDMENT NO. 19 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-18

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

LA SALLE COUNTY STATION, UNITS 1 AND 2

DOCKET NOS. 50-373 AND 50-374

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated December 3, 1985, Commonwealth Edison Company (licensee) requested amendments to the La Salle Units 1 and 2 Technical Specifications. The proposed Technical Specification changes relate to control of access to high radiation areas.

2.0 EVALUATION

Section 20.203(c)(2) of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 10, Part 20, provides for control of personnel access to high radiation areas. To assist licensees of nuclear power reactors in meeting the requirements of 10 CFR 20.203(c)(2), the NRC has established specifications for the control of access to high radiation areas in Section 6.12 of NUREG-0123, Rev. 3, "Standard Technical Specifications for General Electric Boiling Water Reactors (BWR 5)."

The Technical Specifications' revisions proposed by the licensee would lower and redefine a high radiation area as an area with radiation levels between 10 mrem/hr and 1000 mrem/hr. Similarly, the proposed specifications also define a high-high radiation area as an area with radiation levels greater than 1000 mrem/hr. Previously, the station defined a high radiation area as an area where radiation levels between 100 mrem/hr and 5000 mrem/hr, and a high-high radiation area as an area where radiation levels exceed 5000 mrem/hr. The proposed revised definitions of high and high-high radiation areas are equivalent to those in the Standard Technical Specifications and are acceptable to the staff.

The proposed Technical Specifications' revisions also permit the control of access to high radiation areas by using a Radiation Work Permit (RWP) system. In order to prevent unintentional access by workers to high radiation areas less than 1000 mrem/hr, the licensee will barricade and conspicuously post these locations as high radiation areas. Unintentional access to high-high radiation areas, greater than 1000 mrem/hr, will be prevented by the licensee either by use of the station's security computer system or by use of a locked door. The keys to the high-high radiation doors will be controlled by the shift supervisor on duty and/or the station's Health Physicist. Previously, access to high radiation areas was

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It is the staff's position that the proposed Technical Specifications for La Salle County Station provide control of personnel access to high radiation areas that is equivalent to that provided in the Standard Technical

Specifications. Therefore, the proposed Technical Specifications comply with the requirement (10 CFR 20.203(c)(2)) that there should be "positive control over access to high radiation areas" and are acceptable to the staff. In addition the staff has evaluated the proposed wording for Technical Specification 6.1.1, "High Radiation Areas" and finds the wording acceptable.

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments involve a change in the installation or use of facility components located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20 and changes surveillance requirements. The staff has determined that these amendments involve no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant changes 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 these amendments involve no significant hazards consideration and there has been no public comment on such finding. Accordingly, these 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 these amendments.

4.0 CONCLUSION

The Commission made a proposed determination that these amendments involve no significant hazards consideration which was published in the <u>Federal</u> <u>Register</u> (50 FR 53229) on December 30, 1985. No public comments were received, and the state of Illinois did not have any comments.

We have 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, and (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations and the issuance of these amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

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Dated: MAR 12 1985

AMENDMENT NO. 35 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-11 - LA SALLE, UNIT 1 AMENDMENT NO. 19 TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NO. NPF-18 - LA SALLE, UNIT 2

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