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Docket No. 50-373

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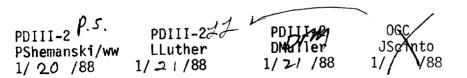
Dear Mr. Butterfield:

The Commission has filed the enclosed "Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for Prior Hearing" with the Office of the Federal Register for publication. This notice related to your request of January 19, 1988, to amend the Technical Specifications to Operating License NPF-11 for LaSalle County Station, Unit 1. The Amendment would revise the provisions of the Technical Specifications in support of the second reload for LaSalle Unit 1. Startup for Cycle 3 is currently scheduled for June, 1988. A notice offering a prior opportunity for hearing is being issued because the nature of the action is too complex for the staff to reach a no significant hazards determination without substantial technical review.

Sincerely,

Daniel R. Muller, Director Project Directorate III-2 Division of Reactor Projects - III, IV, V and Special Projects

Enclosure: As stated



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## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION <u>COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY</u> <u>DOCKET NO.: 50-373</u> <u>NOTICE OF CONSIDERATION OF ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENT</u> <u>TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE AND</u> <u>OPPORTUNITY FOR PRIOR HEARING</u>

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. NPF-11 issued to Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee), for operation of LaSalle County Station, Unit 1 located in LaSalle County, Illinois.

The amendment would revise the Technical Specifications in support of the second reload for LaSalle Unit 1. Startup for Cycle 3 is currently scheduled for June 1988.

Prior to issuance of the proposed license amendment, the Commission will have made findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act) and the Commission's regulations.

By February 29, 1988, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendment to the subject facility operating license and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding and who wishes to participate as a party in the proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene. Request for a hearing and petitions for leave to intervene shall be filed in accordance with the Commission's "Rules of Practice for Domestic Licensing Proceedings" in 10 CFR Part 2. If a request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene is filed by the above date, the Commission or an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, designated

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by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, will rule on the request and/or petition and the Secretary or the designated Atomic Safety and Licensing Board will issue a notice of hearing or an appropriate order.

As required by 10 CFR 2.714, a petition for leave to intervene shall set forth with particularity the interest of the petitioner in the proceeding, and how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding. The petition should specifically explain the reasons why intervention should be permitted with particular reference to the following factors: (1) the nature of the petitioner's right under the Act to be made a part to the proceeding; (2) the nature and extent of the petitioner's property, financial, or other interest in the proceeding; and (3) the possible effect of any order which may be entered in the proceeding on the petitioner's interest. The petition should also identify the specific aspect(s) of the subject matter of the proceeding as to which petitioner wishes to intervene. Any person who has filed a petition for leave to intervene or who has been admitted as a party may amend the petition without requesting leave of the Board up to fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above.

Not later than fifteen (15) days prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, a petitioner shall file a supplement to the petition to intervene which must include a list of the contentions which are sought to be litigated in the matter, and the bases for each contention set

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forth with reasonable specificity. Contentions shall be limited to matters within the scope of the amendment under consideration. A petitioner who fails to file such a supplement which satisfies these requirements with respect to at least one contention will not be permitted to participate as a party.

Those permitted to intervene become parties to the proceeding, subject to any limitations in the order granting leave to intervene, and have the opportunity to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing, including the opportunity to present evidence and cross-examine witnesses.

A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Branch, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. by the above date. Where petitions are file during the last ten (10) days of the notice period, it is requested that the petitioner or representative for the petitioner promptly so inform the Commission by a toll-free telephone call to Western Union at (800) 325-6000 (in Missouri (800) 342-6700). The Western Union operator should be given Datagram Identification Number 3737 and the following message addressed to Daniel R. Muller: petitioner's name and telephone number; date petition was mailed; plant name; and publication date and page number of this FEDERAL REGISTER Notice. A copy of the petition should also be sent to

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the Office of the General Counsel - White Flint, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, and to Joseph Gallo, Esquire, Isham, Lincoln, and Beale, 1150 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20036, attorney for the licensee.

Nontimely fillings of petitions for leave to intervene, amended petitions, supplemental petitions and/or requests for hearing will not be entertained absent a determination by the Commission, the presiding officer or the presiding Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, that the petition and/or request should be granted based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR 2.714(a)(1)(i)-(v) and 2.714(d).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendment dated January 19, 1988, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and at the Public Library of Illinois Valley Community College, Rural Route No. 1, Oglesby, Illinois 61348.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland this 21st day of January 1988.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Daniel R. Muller, Director Project Directorate III-2 Division of Reactor Projects - III, IV, V and Special Projects

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