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Gentlemen:

The Commission has filed the enclosed "Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendments to Operating Licenses" with the Office of the Federal Register for publication. The Notice relates to your request dated May 11, 1978, for approval to amend License Nos. DPR-19 and DPR-25 to allow additional storage capability of spent fuel at Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 2 and 3, respectively.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:
Dennis L. Ziemann

Dennis L. Ziemann, Chief
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Notice of Proposed
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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DOCKET NOS. 50-237 AND 50-249

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS
TO OPERATING LICENSES

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-19 and Facility Operating License No. DPR-25 issued to the Commonwealth Edison Company (the licensee) for operation of the Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Units 2 and 3 (the facilities), located in Grundy County, Illinois.

The amendments would change the provisions in the Technical Specifications to allow more spent fuel to be stored at the facilities by modifying the storage racks in the spent fuel pool. The proposed modifications would increase the combined storage capacity from 2840 spaces to 3780 spaces for each pool in accordance with the licensee's application for amendment dated May 11, 1978.

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

By September 11, 1978, the licensee may file a request for a hearing with respect to issuance of the amendments to the subject operating licenses 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.

Requests 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 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 of 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, 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 party 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 the 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 his petition, but such an amended petition must satisfy the specificity requirements described above. Not later than fifteen (15)

prior to the first prehearing conference scheduled in the proceeding, the petitioner shall file a supplement to his petition to intervene, which must include a list of the contentions which he seeks to have litigated in the matter, and the bases for each contention set forth with reasonable specificity. 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.

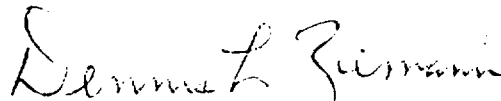
A request for a hearing or a petition for leave to intervene shall be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Section, or may be delivered to the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. by the above date. A copy of the petition should also be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555, and to Mr. John W. Rowe, Isham, Lincoln & Beale, Counselors at Law, One First National Plaza, 42nd Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603, attorney for the licensee.

Nontimely filings 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 Atomic Safety and Licensing Board designated to rule on the petition and/or request, that the petition and/or request should be granted based upon a balancing of the factors specified in 10 CFR §2.714(a)(i)-(v) and §2.714(d).

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated May 11, 1978, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and at the Morris Public Library, 604 Liberty Street, Morris, Illinois 60451.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 3rd day of August, 1978.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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