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Mr. Robert M. Gallo, Chief
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Re: Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.
Indian Point Station Unit No. 2
Docket No. 50-247

Subject: Routine Inspection 50-247/86-29

Dear Mr. Gallo:

This is in response to your letter of March 20, 1987 concerning the requalification program evaluation report prepared by Mr. N. Dudley as a result of the evaluation conducted at Indian Point Unit 2 during December 10-12, 1986.

The summary of the report requested that Con Edison further describe what additional training and evaluation will be conducted prior to allowing a staff engineer to resume the functions of an operator or a senior operator. In our letter of February 4, 1987 to Mr. W. F. Kane regarding routine inspection No. 50-247/86-28 we described corrective action to enforce the provisions of 10CFR55.31(e) dealing with performance of operators. Subsequent to that letter, the NRC issued an extensive rule change to 10 CFR Parts 50 and 55 dealing with operators' licenses. The issue of active status of operator or senior reactor operators is addressed in the rule. Staff engineer licenses are thereby covered by the rule.

Since our earlier reply to the NRC stated that a station policy covering licensed operator training and requalification had been written, we will revise that policy and incorporate the conditions and requirements of the 10 CFR 55 final rule. This will ensure that any staff engineer has the necessary proficiency before assuming an active position which utilizes the person's license. Our policy will be revised and implemented prior to May 26, 1987.

Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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