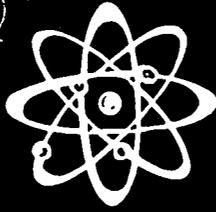


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PERMIT ISSUED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SECOND  
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT AT DRESDEN SITE IN ILLINOIS

The Atomic Energy Commission's Division of Reactor Licensing has issued a permit to Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago for construction of a second nuclear power plant at the company's Dresden site near Morris, Illinois.

The permit is for a boiling water reactor, to be known as Dresden Unit No. 2. The plant will have an initial capacity of approximately 715,000 net electrical kilowatts. Commonwealth Edison has been operating its 200,000 net electrical kilowatt Dresden Unit No. 1 at the Illinois site since 1960. Latest date for completion of Dresden Unit No. 2 under the permit is June 1, 1969.

Issuance of the permit follows a public hearing held December 7-8 at Morris and an initial decision of an Atomic Safety and Licensing Board, dated December 29. The permit and the Board's decision are subject to further review by the Commission and to any order the Commission may make on or before February 14, 1966.

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