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Docket No. 50-237/94-4
Docket No. 50-249

Commonwealth Edison Company
ATTN: M. D. Lyster,
Site Vice President
Dresden Station
6500 North Dresden Road
Morris, IL 60450

Dear Mr. Lyster:

The enclosed report refers to the inspection conducted by M. Bielby and E. Plettner from January 31 through February 8, 1994. The inspection evaluated Operation's activities at the Dresden Nuclear Power Station authorized by NRC Operating License No.'s DPR-19 and DPR-25. On February 1, 1994, a retake of job performance measures was administered to one of your operators who was evaluated as unsatisfactory on that portion of the requalification examination administered on August 8, 1993. The operator satisfactorily completed the job performance measures examination. At the conclusion of the inspection preliminary findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

The purpose of the inspection was to assess the licensed operator requalification program. The inspection consisted of reviews of training administrative procedures, representative records, requalification training materials, and observation of licensed operators during requalification examination administration. Interviews were also conducted with members of the operations and training staffs. Followup inspection was also performed with regard to your response to Notice of Violation (50-237/93024-01(DRP)) for failure to ensure licensed operator medicals were obtained every two years.

Overall, the inspectors concluded that the licensed operator requalification training program was being implemented in accordance with 10 CFR Part 55 requirements and that operations and training management involvement with the process was considered a strength. However, the lack of an objective individual evaluation during dynamic scenario evaluations does not appear to be in accordance with 10 CFR Part 55 requirements. Paragraph 59(a)(2) of Part 55 states that operators must pass an annual operating test. The simulator operating test conducted did not have standard or objective grading criteria against which each operator was evaluated. Failure to conduct an annual dynamic simulator operating test evaluation of the individual operators against an established standard is a concern.

Subsequent to the inspection, NRC Information Notice 94-14 was issued. It clarified the 10 CFR 55.21 requirement for obtaining licensed operator medicals every two years. Based on your most recent response to the Notice Of Violation, dated December 15, 1993, you do not adequately address corrective action for preventing licensed operators from exceeding the two year requirement.

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You are requested to respond to these two concerns within 30 days of the date of this letter. Your response should include how each of your operators is objectively evaluated against a set of standard criteria, and what those criteria are. Your response should also include the actions taken by your requalification program to ensure licensed operators do not exceed the two year requirement to obtain a medical examination.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The NRC will gladly discuss any questions you may have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

original signed by
Mark A. Ring, Chief
Operations Branch

Enclosure: Inspection Report
No. 50-237/94004(DRS)

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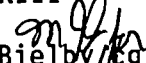
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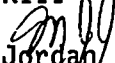
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
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