REGION III NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee:

Commonwealth Edison Company (EA 95-214)

Dresden Station, Units 2 and 3 Docket Nos. 50-237; 50-249

Subject:

PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$50,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$50,000 will be issued on or about December 5, 1995, to Commonwealth Edison Company (CECo). This action is based on a Severity Level III violation involving a radioactive waste shipment which was received at an offsite vendor facility on August 14, 1995, with an external radiation level (350 millirem/hour) which was in excess of the Department of Transportation (DOT) limit (200 millirem/hour). A civil penalty is proposed because (1) the facility has been the subject of prior escalated enforcement actions within the last 2 years, and (2) the licensee did not identify the violation.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice Telephone Notification of Licensee December 5, 1995 December 5, 1995

The State of Illinois will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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