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SUBJECT: Dresden Station Units 2 and 3
Clarification of Commitment associated with Redundant CR HVAC Dampers
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237/249

REFERENCES: (a) E. D. Swartz letter to D. G. Eisenhut, USNRC, dated June 28, 1982
(b) D. M. Crutchfield, USNRC letter to D. L. Farrar, dated May 11, 1983

The purpose of this letter is to provide clarification regarding the commitment associated with Control Room (CR) Heating, Ventilation, and Cooling (HVAC) damper redundancy.

In the Reference (a) submittal, ComEd issued a revised control room habitability study to the NRC for both Dresden and Quad Cities stations.

In Reference (b), the NRC Accident Evaluation Branch on NUREG-0737 concluded that the design, as specified in Reference (a), met the criteria of section III.D.3.4 "Control Room Habitability" of NUREG-0737 and was acceptable. In doing so, however, it stated that "In a second revision to its submittal, dated June 28, 1982, the licensee committed to the installation of redundant, low leakage dampers on all exhaust and intake duct work except the toilet room exhaust".

Reference (a), committed to use bubble tight or low leakage dampers as necessary. "Bubble tight and/or low leakage dampers will be used as deemed necessary and as conceptually shown on Figure 1, revision 2. However, as designs are finalized, the actual configuration (use and location) may change".

Reference (a) delineates the conceptual design for the Control Room HVAC and associated modifications. Consistent with UFSAR Figure 9.4-1, redundant dampers were not specified or installed in the original modification, although low leakage dampers were installed.

Accordingly, the Station considers the existing dampers on the outside air intake and exhaust acceptable and consistent with our design basis, and will continue to operate in accordance with our current licensing basis commitments.

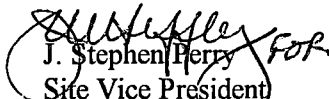
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