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Subject: Dresden Nuclear Power Station Units 2 and 3  
Notification of Revision to Bases Section 3/4.9 of  
Facility Operating Licenses DPR-19 and DPR-25, Appendix A,  
Technical Specifications  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237 and 50-249


Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 50.59, ComEd has revised the Bases for Appendix A, Technical Specifications Section 3/4.9 of Facility Operating Licenses DPR-19 and DPR-25. The revision includes the correction of potentially misleading information concerning the function of the D.C sources during a loss of A.C. Power.

The DC systems are believed to have the capability to carry all DC safe shutdown loads in the event of a loss of all A.C. power which includes loss of both emergency diesel generators (EDGs). However, loss of both EDGs is beyond the design basis requirements of the DC systems, as described in the FSAR, and, therefore, they are not tested to such criteria. Revising the Technical Specification bases would clarify that the surveillance requirements within the Technical Specifications test the battery according to the design requirements.

ComEd has performed a Safety Evaluation in accordance with 10 CFR 50.59, and has determined that an Unreviewed Safety Question does not exist. These Bases changes have been reviewed and approved by the ComEd Onsite Review. The marked up Bases page is attached. Please update your records as appropriate.

Please direct any questions you may have concerning this submittal to Frank Spangenberg, Regulatory Assurance Manager at (815) 942-2920, Extension 3800.

Sincerely,

  
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A. Marked - Up Technical Specifications Bases Page

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