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Subject: Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Unit 2

Jet Pump 15/16 Riser Weld Flaw Evaluation Report

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Reference a) ASME Section XI, 1989 Edition

b) U.S. NRC Generic Letter 88-01

c) General Electric SIL - 605

The purpose of this letter is to provide ComEd's assessment of the impact on the operation of Unit 2 with the 1.5 inch indication identified along the heat affected zone of the riser elbow at the RS-1 weld of jet pump 15/16. This indication is internal to the Reactor Vessel.

This indication was identified during the U-2 In-Vessel Visual Inspection (IVVI) of the 10 Jet Pump Risers performed in accordance with the Guidelines delineated in BWR Vessel Internals Project (BWRVIP) inspection and evaluation document BWRVIP-41. The Scope of the inspection consisted of enhanced visual inspection techniques.

Based on the Evaluations presented in the attached report, it is determined that the observed flaw in the Jet pump Riser 15/16 weld RS-1 does not pose a safety concern for the next two fuel cycles. ComEd will continue monitoring the condition of the degraded jet pump risers by following the recommendations provided in BWRVIP-41 and reexamination of the jet pump 15/16 riser RS-1 weld after two fuel cycles during D2R17.

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Enclosure - Dresden Unit 2 Jet Pump 15/16 Riser Flaw Evaluation Report

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