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Subject: Commonwealth Edison Company
Generating Stations Emergency Plan
Dresden GSEP Exercise

Dear Mr. Grimes:

The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of the status of the verification program for the Commonwealth Edison Generating Stations Emergency Plan (GSEP). In order to satisfy the requirement of NUREG-0654, a major exercise of the GSEP will be conducted at Dresden Station on June 19, 1980. A copy of the plan for that exercise is enclosed for your information.

The objective of the Dresden exercise is to demonstrate that the revised GSEP effectively addresses the command, control, communications and key manning aspects of our emergency plan as well as the interfaces with appropriate state and local governmental agencies. In this regard, a meeting was held with Mr. W. Axelson (Region III-IE Office) of your staff on June 13, 1980, at which the June 19 scenario was discussed in depth. Mr. Axelson indicated that this exercise would, upon its successful completion, satisfy Commonwealth Edison's responsibility under NUREG-0654 relative to program demonstration. It is acknowledged that drills will be performed at each of our operating nuclear facilities (i.e., Quad Cities and Zion) as well as LaSalle County to verify implementation of the revised GSEP. This will be done after the Dresden exercise. In the case of LaSalle County Station, a somewhat more comprehensive drill will be performed to test the interface with local governmental agencies. This LaSalle County drill will satisfy the pre-licensing requirement for that facility.

You should also be aware that the State of Illinois plans a major exercise at the Dresden site in September, 1980, to demonstrate the adequacy of the State and Local Emergency Plan as a part of the FEMA (RAC) review process. Inasmuch as the Commonwealth Edison GSEP will have been demonstrated on June 19, at which time our performance will be observed and critiqued by the NRC Staff, the

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Commonwealth Edison participation in the September, 1980, exercise will be limited to interface demonstration and will not, therefore, involve the same scenario development process for the utility as is contained in the attached exercise. It is our understanding that this overall approach for demonstrating the utility, state and local plans satisfied all NRC and FEMA requirements.

If you should have any questions, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,



FOR/ D. L. Peoples
Director of Nuclear
Licensing

Attachment

cc: Mr. W. Axelson (w/o att.)
Directorate of Inspection and
Enforcement - Region III

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DRESDEN GSEP EXERCISE

June 19, 1980

COMMONWEALTH EDISON JUNE 19 DRESDEN EXERCISE ANNEX

- I. Objectives
- II. Scenario
- III. Participants
- IV. Exercise Coordinator
- V. Criteria for Critique
- VI. Messages for Scenario