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Subject: Dresden Station Units 2 and 3
Quad Cities Station Units 1 and 2
Response to IE Bulletin 80-17,
Supplement 1
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237/249, and
50-254/265

Reference (a): J. G. Keppler letter to C. Reed
dated July 18, 1980

Dear Mr. Keppler:

This letter is in response to Supplement 1 to IE Bulletin 80-17, which was transmitted by Reference (a). Contrary to the requirements of Item B.1) of the supplement, Commonwealth Edison will not have a continuous scram discharge volume water level monitoring system installed and functional by September 1, 1980. Following are the actions we have pursued in our attempt to obtain equipment to meet the requirements, as required by paragraphs 1), 2), and 3) of Item B.1).

Discussions with General Electric indicated that they were developing two (2) methods of monitoring, ultrasonic and conductivity. At the General Electric-Utility Mtg. on July 29, 1980, we were informed a letter detailing their system would be issued July 30, 1980. The letter was received and a formal proposal was requested August 5, 1980. In parallel, a proposal on similar equipment was requested from Nortec Corp. As of August 14, 1980, both proposals have been received and are under evaluation. The evaluation will be completed by August 19, 1980. The proposed deliveries from the two (2) bidders ranged from 30 days to 6 weeks or more depending on the sequence in which the orders are received from various utilities. It is anticipated that pending vendor deliveries we will have continuous UT monitoring system installed by October 31, 1980.

As indicated in previous responses to IE Bulletin 80-17 and its Supplement 2, modifications have been made at Dresden 2 and 3 and Quad Cities 1 and 2 to ensure a positive vent to the reactor building atmosphere. Procedures have been revised to address actions to be taken if water is detected in the scram discharge volumes or

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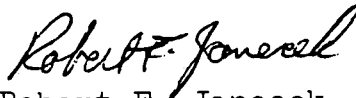
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control rods fail to insert on a scram signal. Finally, daily monitoring of the scram discharge volumes for water accumulation will continue at all four units until the continuous monitors are installed. We believe that the above actions provide assurance of scram discharge volume operability in the interim until installation is completed.

Please address any questions concerning this matter to this office.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Director, Division of Reactor
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