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Current Qualification Programs (1)Subject: (2) Utility Coordinator of EPRI Utility Equipment Qualification Owners Group

Dear Mr. Rosztoczy:

Reference is made to our phone conversation of September 19, 1980 at which time we discussed subject matters in followup to the EPRI/NRC information exchange meeting held in Washington on September 17, 1980.

## Current Qualification Programs

Based on your presentation at the meeting, it is my understanding that the NRC will soon issue requests to utilities, vendors and test labs for listings of ongoing and proposed equipment qualification programs to allow the NRC to implement its program of indepth inspection and witnessing of selected licensee/vendor qualification tests. In response to your verbal request of September 19, listed below is basic information on qualification programs that Commonwealth Edison is engaged in together with other utilities and vendors. Please review this listing and let me know which program fits your schedule. Upon notification from you, I will take the initiative to contact the other participating utilities, vendors and test lab to gain their permission to release additional information relative to the program. It is Commonwealth Edison's position that the proposed NRC program will be to our mutual benefit but you must appreciate the fact that I cannot speak for the other participants in this regard.

The generic equipment name and present schedule of these programs are as follows:

> Pressure Transmitters Α. Schedule - Phase 1 testing completed by 12/80 and phase 2 by 9/81 (WEPCo is the lead utility of this program)

Β. Terminal Blocks Schedule - Qualification plan being prepared. Testing completed by 3/81

SRV Monitoring System С. Schedule - Qualification plan being finalized

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- D . Valve Monitoring system Schedule - Qualification plan being finalized. Testing completed by 3rd quarter, 1981
- Ε. Diesel Generator and Diesel Drives Schedule - Qualification plan approved by 11/80. Testing completed by 9/81 8010100

## F. Diesel Generator Schedule - Qualification plan being prepared. Testing completed by 9/81

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As we discussed, the overall objective of qualifying essential equipment will be greatly enhanced if the NRC, as part of its proposed program, issues specific written comments on those qualification plans reviewed by them. If the qualification plan is acceptable to the NRC a written statement to that effect should be issued. If the NRC has concerns about portions of the plan, timely verbal notification followed up by written comments should be issued. Only with such feedback can this program result in meaningful benefits to us all.

## Utility Coordinator of EPRI/Utility Equipment Qualification Owners Group

G. Sliter of EPRI, representing the utility members, asked me to serve as utility coordinator of the EPRI/Utility Equipment Qualification Owners Group. I have accepted the invitation to serve in this capacity and as such will be available to you and members of your staff to facilitate the flow of information between the industry and the NRC in the specific area of equipment qualification. G. Sliter will continue to coordinate the research aspects of EPRI funded work.

The Owners Group meets twice a year, usually during the months of May and November, with an average representation of approximately thirty utilities. In the past, many utilities have optioned to send different people to succesive meetings with the result that overall continuity has not been maintained. At the information exchange meetings held with the NRC in June and September of this year, the industry was represented by an informal ad hoc committees made up of individuals who are both active in the field and who have attended most, if not all, of the EPRI sponsored equipment qualification meetings. Approximately ten utilities are represented on this committee giving it a good cross section of operating experience and providing it with a good base of technical experience. If information exchange meeting are required in the future it is my intention to invite the members of the ad hoc committee to represent the industry together with G. Sliter of EPRI.

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