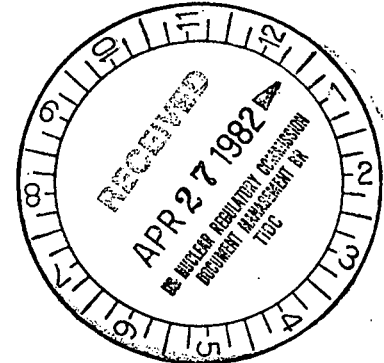




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Subject: Dresden Station Unit 3
 Appendix J Integrated
 Leak Rate Test Prior to
 Cycle 8 Operation
NRC Docket No. 50-249

Dear Mr. Eisenhut:

In accordance with the Dresden Unit 3 Technical Specifications, which reflect 10 CFR 50 Appendix J requirements, Commonwealth Edison intends to perform the subject integrated primary containment leak test in less than 24 hours. If in fact a less than 24 hour test is performed, the test criteria will be in accordance with Bechtel Corp. Topical Report BN-TOP-1 Rev. 1, November 1972; "Testing Criteria for Integrated Leakage Rate of Primary Containment Structures for Nuclear Power Reactors." This information is being provided at the request of your staff, subsequent to April 20, 1982, telephone conversations with J. Hegner and J. Shapaker of your staff.

Please direct any questions you may have concerning this matter to this office.

One (1) signed original and thirty-nine (39) copies of this transmittal are provided for your use.

Very truly yours,

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