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Mr. Thomas E. Murley, Director  
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Dresden Station Units 2 and 3  
4KV Cross-Tie Breaker Operability  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-237 and 50-249

Reference: LER 85-034 Docket No. 50-237

Dear Mr. Murley:

The event reported in the referenced LER documents a partial loss of off-site power and subsequent reactor scram due to a design deficiency in the automatic transfer circuitry of the 4KV distribution system. To assure that an alternate supply of off-site and/or diesel generator AC power was provided for both Dresden Unit 2 and 3, Commonwealth Edison committed to maintain the Unit 2 to Unit 3 4KV cross-tie breaker operable to the extent practical. Commonwealth Edison also committed to notify the NRC Region III staff whenever the cross-tie breaker became inoperable.

The Dresden Station Unit 2, Operating License No. DPR-19, Technical Specifications and the Dresden Unit 3, Operating License No. DPR-25, Technical Specifications were revised by Amendments 96 and 91, respectively, to include the operability of the cross-tie breaker. The revision permits reactor operation for seven (7) days, provided the remaining portions of the AC distribution systems are operable. Based on the fact that the operability of the cross-tie breaker has been made a Technical Specification LCO, Commonwealth Edison believes that the previously established NRC Region III notification commitment is no longer appropriate.

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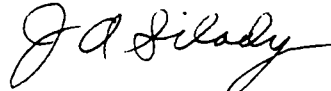
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Discontinuing the notification requirement was discussed with the Dresden Station NRC Senior Resident Inspector, Mr. S.G. DuPont. This letter is provided to communicate our intent to discontinue this special notification commitment. This in no way affects any reportability or compliance aspects of the related Technical Specifications provisions as amended.

Please contact this office should further information be requested.

Very truly yours,



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