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Commonwealth Edison Company
 ATTN: Mr. Byron Lee, Jr.
 Assistant to the President
 P.O. Box 767
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Gentlemen:

The Dresden 2 and 3 facilities still have baffles installed in the torus suppression pools. We have concluded, based on our evaluation of previous analyses, that these baffles are not required to assure that the suppression pools will perform their intended functions regarding condensation of steam discharged to the tori.

A recent inspection made by Northern States Power Company at their Monticello plant revealed damage to the torus baffles and other structural components installed in the suppression pool. The Northern States Power Company, assisted by the General Electric Company, has removed all of the torus baffles and has also taken corrective steps regarding other structural damage, including the anchorages for the blowdown discharge pipes.

If you have not already done so, please plan an inspection of the tori of your facilities with special emphasis on the structural condition of anchorages, baffles, and other structural appurtenances. Subsequently, provide us with your evaluation of the effects of all blowdown forces into the tori on the installed torus baffles, other torus structural components, and blowdown vent pipe anchorages and a proposed course of action to avoid any safety problems in the event these effects exceed acceptable structural design criteria.

Please let us know within two weeks your schedule for the inspection and the submittal of the requested information.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
 Roger S. Boyd

Roger S. Boyd, Assistant Director
 for Boiling Water Reactors
 Division of Reactor Licensing

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