



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Docket No. 50-10

Mr. Thomas Sheckells  
U. S. Environmental  
Protection Agency  
401 M Street, S. W.  
Room 537, West Tower  
Washington, D. C. 20460

Dear Mr. Sheckells:

I am pleased to provide the Environmental Protection Agency with copies of the Draft Environmental Statement prepared by the Commission's Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation on environmental considerations under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, relating to the primary cooling system chemical decontamination at Commonwealth Edison Company's Dresden Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 1.

This Draft Environmental Statement was prepared in accordance with the statement of general policy and procedure on implementation of National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as set forth in the Commission's regulations, 10 CFR Part 51.

Although the results of our review indicated that the proposed action will not significantly affect the quality of the human environment, we have concluded that an environmental impact statement should be prepared because of significant interest and concern expressed by members of the public relating to decontamination of Dresden Unit No. 1. A notice of the availability of the Draft Environmental Statement and request for comments from interested persons is being sent to the Office of the Federal Register for filing and publication (copies enclosed). A request for comments also is being sent to appropriate Federal, State and local agencies.

After receipt of the comments from Federal, State and local agencies, we shall prepare a final environmental statement including, where appropriate, a discussion of any problems or objections raised and the disposition thereof, and forward copies of the statement to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Dennis M. Crutchfield in cursive script.  
Dennis M. Crutchfield, Chief  
Operating Reactors Branch #5  
Division of Licensing

Enclosures:

1. Draft Environmental Statement (10)
2. Federal Register Notice

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