

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION III
799 ROOSEVELT ROAD
GLEN ELLYN, ILLINOIS 60137

AUG 7 1980

Docket No. 50-454 Docket No. 50-455

Commonwealth Edison Company ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed Vice President Post Office Box 767 Chicago, IL 60690

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated July 18, 1980, informing us of the steps you have taken to correct the item of noncompliance which we brought to your attention in Inspection Report No. 50-454/80-09 and No. 50-455/80-08 forwarded by our letter dated June 18, 1980. Our concern in regard to this matter was whether the unprotected carbon steel support material, especially the spot welds would deteriorate over the 40-year life of the plant such that the supports might not meet seismic design requirements. We now understand based on your response that you will either show that the corrosive effects were taken into account in the design or you will apply protective coating on the subject material. We will examine these matters during subsequent inspections.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gaston Fiorelli, Chief Reactor Construction and

Engineering Support Branch

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Mr. G. Sorenson, Site Project
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