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Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director  
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Reference: 1) BECo Ltr. #80-50 to NRC; March 12, 1980  
2) BECo Ltr. #80-77 to NRC; April 22, 1980  
3) BECo Ltr. #80-75 to NRC; April 18, 1980  
Attachment: 1) Pilgrim Unit #1 - IE Bulletin #79-01B -  
Revised and Updated Response

Dear Sir:

By letter received January 17, 1980 Boston Edison was required by the NRC to address IE Bulletin 79-01B. This Bulletin requested two responses, a 45 day and a 90 day, with information as requested by Enclosure 1 of the Bulletin.

References 1) and 2) and their attachments provided our 45 day response and initial 90 day response. Reference 3) provided our anticipated schedule for additional submittals, as requested by the NRC. In Attachment 1 to this letter Boston Edison is providing its revised and updated 90 day response for Pilgrim Station.

The NRC commissioner's memorandum and order, May 23, 1980 addressed environmental qualification of electrical equipment. This order's impact on utility Bulletin 79-01B efforts were clarified and amplified during a Region 1 NRC meeting held July 14, 1980. Boston Edison will incorporate to the extent practicable in our final response any additional information requested by the NRC during this meeting. As indicated in Reference 3) Boston Edison will provide its final response by October 25, 1980.

References 1) and 3) generically discussed the difficulties in acquiring information for Pilgrim equipment. Boston Edison resources have been distributed among numerous short term activities including refueling outage work and NUREG-0578 modifications. Vendor resources have become strained by similar requests for information from other utilities. For older vintage plants, such as Pilgrim, vendors must search both their own plus subvendor records which may be over 10 years old. In many cases this work required Boston Edison to issue purchase orders for these searches.

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Boston Edison believes that the quality of the information to be provided and the confidence level we can all place on these reviews are directly related to the thoroughness of these evaluations. We believe the content of our responses to date under 79-01 and 79-01B indicates our commitment to reporting and rectifying any conditions which our reviews indicate may involve unqualified equipment.

Very truly yours,

*G. Carl Andognini*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts)  
County of Suffolk )

Then personally appeared before me G. Carl Andognini, who, being duly sworn, did state that he is Superintendent - Nuclear Operations Department of Boston Edison Company, the applicant herein, and that he is duly authorized to execute and file the submittal contained herein in the name and on behalf of Boston Edison Company and that the statements in said submittal are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.

My Commission expires: *July 6, 1984*

*Sorathy M. Lewis*  
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Notary Public