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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: Zion Station Units 1 and 2
Technical Specification Changes
Regarding Decay Heat Removal
Capability and Minimum Level of
Water Over Irradiated Fuel
NRC Docket Nos. 50-295 and 50-304

References (a): July 11, 1980, letter from Darrell G.
Eisenhut to All Operating PWRs

(b): August 15, 1980, letter from Thomas M.
Novak to All Westinghouse PWR Licensees

Dear Mr. Denton:

Reference (a) requested Commonwealth Edison Company to amend the Zion Station Technical Specifications with respect to reactor decay heat removal capability, specifically while in shutdown mode of operation. Reference (b) also requested Commonwealth Edison to review and amend, if necessary, the Zion Station Technical Specifications regarding the maintenance of a minimum level of water over the top of irradiated fuel.

Commonwealth Edison has been performing detailed reviews of the areas identified in References (a) and (b) with respect to the current Zion Technical Specifications and the Standard Technical Specifications for Westinghouse PWRs. Since responses to the requests of References (a) and (b) are due within a couple of weeks of each other, and since both requests primarily address refueling activities, Commonwealth Edison proposes combining both requests into one submittal. This approach provides for more effective utilization of Commonwealth Edison's On-Site and Off-Site Review personnel.

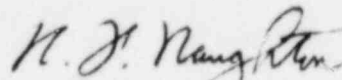
Currently, Commonwealth Edison review functions are reviewing four separate amendment requests from the NRC staff. The scope of these reviews are quite extensive and will require additional time for completion. Commonwealth Edison anticipates that the consolidation of the above requests into a single submittal to the NRC staff will be completed by October 31, 1980.

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Please address any questions that you might have concerning this matter to this office.

One (1) signed original and thirty-nine (39) copies of this letter are provided for your use.

Very truly yours,



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