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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Docket No. 50-373

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

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. R. D. Walker and S. E. Shepley of this office on September 15 through October 20, 1980, of activities at the LaSalle County Nuclear Station, Unit 1, authorized by NRC Construction Permit No. CPPR-99 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. H. Holyoak at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in non-compliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix A.

Additionally, an item of safety concern was identified during the inspection, and this item will receive further review by the NRC prior to issuance of an Operating License. The item involves the apparent conflict between LaSalle's present method for implementing the onsite safety review and investigative function and current NRC requirements governing this function which are stipulated in Standard Technical Specifications. This matter is discussed in paragraph 7 of the inspection report.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within thirty days of your receipt of this notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each item of noncompliance: (1) corrective action taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective action to be taken to avoid further noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public

Document Room, except as follows. If the enclosures contain information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in an enclosure to the application.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

R. F. Heishman, Chief Reactor Operations and Nuclear Support Branch

Enclosures:

 Appendix A, Notice of Violation

2. IE Inspection Report No. 50-373/80-43

cc w/encls:

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