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Docket No. 50-254 Docket No. 50-265

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



Gentlemen:

This is in response to your letter of January 22, 1981, concerning the Quad-Cities transportation noncompliance discussed in our February 22, 1980 letter and subsequent correspondence.

Your request for rescission of the noncompliance was forwarded to our Headquarters for review. As you may know, our Headquarters has been reassessing the information presented in certain parts of NRC Information Notice No. 80-32, issued on August 29, 1980. As Mr. R. K. Hoefling's letter to J. S. Abel dated January 16, 1981, indicated, a supplement to that Notice is being prepared.

Based on our Headquarters reassessment, we are hereby retracting the noncompliance regarding package labeling (49 CFR 173.392(c)(8)) of a Quad-Cities Unit 1 radwaste shipment, which was included in A. B. Davis' February 22, 1980 letter to you.

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

Sincerely,

C. E. Norelius, Acting Director Division of Engineering and Technical Inspection

cc: J. S. Abel, Director of Nuclear Licensing N. Kalivianakis, Plant Superintendent

cc w/ltr 1/22/81: - DMB/Document Control Desk (RIDS) Resident Inspector, RIII Mary Jo Murray, Office of Assistant Attorney General RIII

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January 22, 1981

Mr. James G. Keppler, Director Directorate of Inspection and Enforcement - Region III U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Subject: Quad Cities Station Unit 1
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- References (a): A. B. Davis letter to C. Roed dated February 22, 1980
  - (c): D. L. Peoples letter to J. G. Keppler dated March 18, 1980
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  - (a): D. L. Peoples letter to J. G. Keppler dated May 9, 1980
  - (e): A. B. Davis letter to C. Resd dated October 9, 1980
  - (f): J. S. Abel letter to J. G. Keppler dated November 3, 1980
  - (g): R. K. Hoefling letter to J. S. Abel dated January 16, 1981 (plus attachment)

Dear Mr. Keppler:

Reference (a) transmitted notification of an apparent item of noncementation of an apparent item for a Good Cities Unit 1 radwaste shipment. References (b) through (f) provided our responses and additional position statements from your staff. As indicated in Gur last transmittal, Reference (f), subjects pertaining to this event and the interpretations of It Information Notice 80-32 were citil under discussion, and requests for formal interpretation by the NRC and DUT had been requested.

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Reference (q) (attached) is the interpretation requested from the NRC counsel and includes as an attachment the DOI interpretation. As it pertains to this apparent item of noncompliance, the interpretations make clear that shielding used to meet vehicle requirements is not considered to be packaging.

Based on this interpretation, Commonwealth Edison Co. requests that this event be reviewed again to determine if a noncompliance did indeed occur.

Please address any questions concerning this matter to this office.

Very truly yours,

J. S. Abel Director of

Nuclear Licensing

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