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Docket No. 50-456

Commonwealth Edison Company
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the special onsite review conducted by the NRC Augmented Inspection Team composed of Messrs. J. Hinds, T. Tongue, and J. Hopkins of this office, Mr. S. Sands of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), and Mr. S. Israel of the Reactor Operations Analysis Branch of the Office for Analysis and Evaluation of Operational Data (AEOD), on December 2-4, 1989, of the activities associated with the December 1, 1989, RHR Suction Relief Valve event at the Braidwood Station, Unit 1, Operating License No. NPF-72, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. E. Querio and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our Augmented Inspection Team 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.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection; however, the major purpose of the AIT was to perform onsite fact finding regarding the event. Issues identified by the AIT may be examined for possible regulatory violations in subsequent inspections.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

Original signed by E. G. Greenman

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Edward G. Greenman, Director
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Enclosure: Augmented Inspection
Team Report No. 50-456/89030(DRP)

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NRR - yes
WDS for
Sands

RIII - yes
WDS for
Hinds

RIII - yes
WDS for
Hopkins

RIII
12/27/89
Cooper

RIII - yes
WDS for
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