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Mr. James G. Keppler, Regional Administrator
- Region III
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Subject: LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2
Response to Inspection Report Nos.
50-373/83-17 and 50-374/83-16
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373 and 50-374

Reference (a): W. D. Shafer letter to Cordell Reed
dated June 23, 1983.

Dear Mr. Keppler:

This letter is in response to the inspection conducted by Messrs. W. G. Guldemon and A. L. Madison on April 11, 1983 through May 17, 1983 of activities at LaSalle County Station. Reference (a) indicated that certain activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements. The Commonwealth Edison Company response to the Notice of Violation is provided in the enclosure.

To the best of my knowledge and belief the statements contained herein and in the attachment are true and correct. In some respects these statements are not based upon my personal knowledge but upon information furnished by other Commonwealth Edison employees. Such information has been reviewed in accordance with Company practice and I believe it to be reliable.

If you have any further questions on this matter, please direct them to this office.

Very truly yours,

D. L. Farrar
Director of Nuclear Licensing

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Attachment

cc: NRC Resident Inspector - LSCS

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Item of Noncompliance

Technical Specification 6.2, "Plant Operating Procedures and Programs," requires, in part that detailed written procedures shall be prepared, approved and adhered to for the applicable procedures recommended in Appendix "A" of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, February 1978. Among those procedures listed are maintenance procedures outside the normal "craft skill" area. Further, ANSI 18.7, 1976 requires that such procedures be adequately detailed including applicable precautions.

Contrary to the above, on April 7, 1983, while performing maintenance on the Traversing Incore Probe System, a probe was withdrawn beyond its normal shielded location resulting in a precautionary plant evacuation. The procedures used did not contain sufficient detail or the precautions necessary to avoid this event. Therefore, these procedures are inadequate.

Corrective Action Taken and Results Achieved

Work Request L23825 was written to investigate and repair all inoperable components within the drive unit. LIP-NR-01 and LIP-NR-07 procedures were performed to verify operability of the TIP system equipment after satisfactory completion of repairs.

Corrective Action Taken to Avoid Further Noncompliance

1. Signs were posted on each individual drive unit warning of the consequences of removing the drive chain without the Gleason Reel being secured.
2. Procedure LIP-NR-09 was written to identify reference material and some precautions that should be used when troubleshooting the TIP System.
3. Training was provided for the individuals involved to assure the consequences of removing the drive chain without the Gleason Reel being secured were understood.

Date of Full Compliance

Corrective action was completed on July 19, 1983.