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Subject: LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2  
Evaluation of 6 Months of Data from  
the 10 Meter Meteorological  
Measurements System  
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373 and 50-374

- References (a): LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2 Emergency Preparedness Appraisal Response to Notice of Apparent Deficiencies, L. O. DelGeorge letter to J. G. Keppler dated August 10, 1981.
- (b): Request for Additional Information Concerning LaSalle Meteorological Monitoring Program, C. E. Sargent letter to A. Schwencer dated October 8, 1981.
- (c): NUREG 0519, Supplement No. 2, "Safety Evaluation Report related to the Operation of LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2," Section 22.2, Item III.A.2, Improving Licensee Emergency Preparedness-Long Term

Dear Mr. Schwencer:

The purpose of this letter is to provide Commonwealth Edison Company's evaluation of the representativeness of 6 months of data from the 10 meter meteorological measurement system. The commitment to perform this evaluation was made in Reference (b) and is also documented in Reference (c).

As previously reported (Reference (b)), 33 ft. (10m) wind speed and wind direction systems were implemented on the LaSalle meteorological tower on September 1, 1981. In order to verify that the 10m winds were not inhibited by the building structures, statistical comparisons were made using the first month data collection. These results were submitted to the NRC in Reference (b).

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To further substantiate the reliability of the 10m wind system, the period from September 1, 1981, through February 28, 1982, was used to determine if the 10m wind direction exhibited significant distortion due to building effects.

First, the 200 ft (60m) wind direction was compared to the 33 ft (10m) wind direction on an hour-by-hour basis, and a linear regression was performed using 4319 pairs of data. The results are listed in Table 1.

A similar comparison was made using the 375 ft (114m) wind direction and the 33 ft (10m) wind direction. The results are also presented in Table 1.

It can be seen from the statistics that there is a good correlation between levels on the tower and there is no indication that the 33 ft (10m) level is affected by the Reactor Building. Plots of these comparisons are show in Figure 1 and 2. Both plots continue to depict the typical shear seen between levels on the tower and there is not obvious distortion in the zone of possible building effects. Furthermore, little, if any, distortion was observed in the numerical review of the data.

Therefore, since the records do not show significant distortion due to building effects, alternative siting for the 33 ft (10m) level wind instrumentation is not required. The transmittal of this information fulfills Commonwealth Edison Company's commitment for further evaluation and indicates no further action is required in this regard.

If there are any further questions in this matter, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure

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TABLE 1

Linear Regression Results

	X = 200 WD <u>Y = 33 WD</u>	X = 375 WD <u>Y = 33 WD</u>
Slope	0.981	0.973
Intercept	0.537	1.905
Std. Dev.	23.9	28.845
R - Square	0.946	0.922

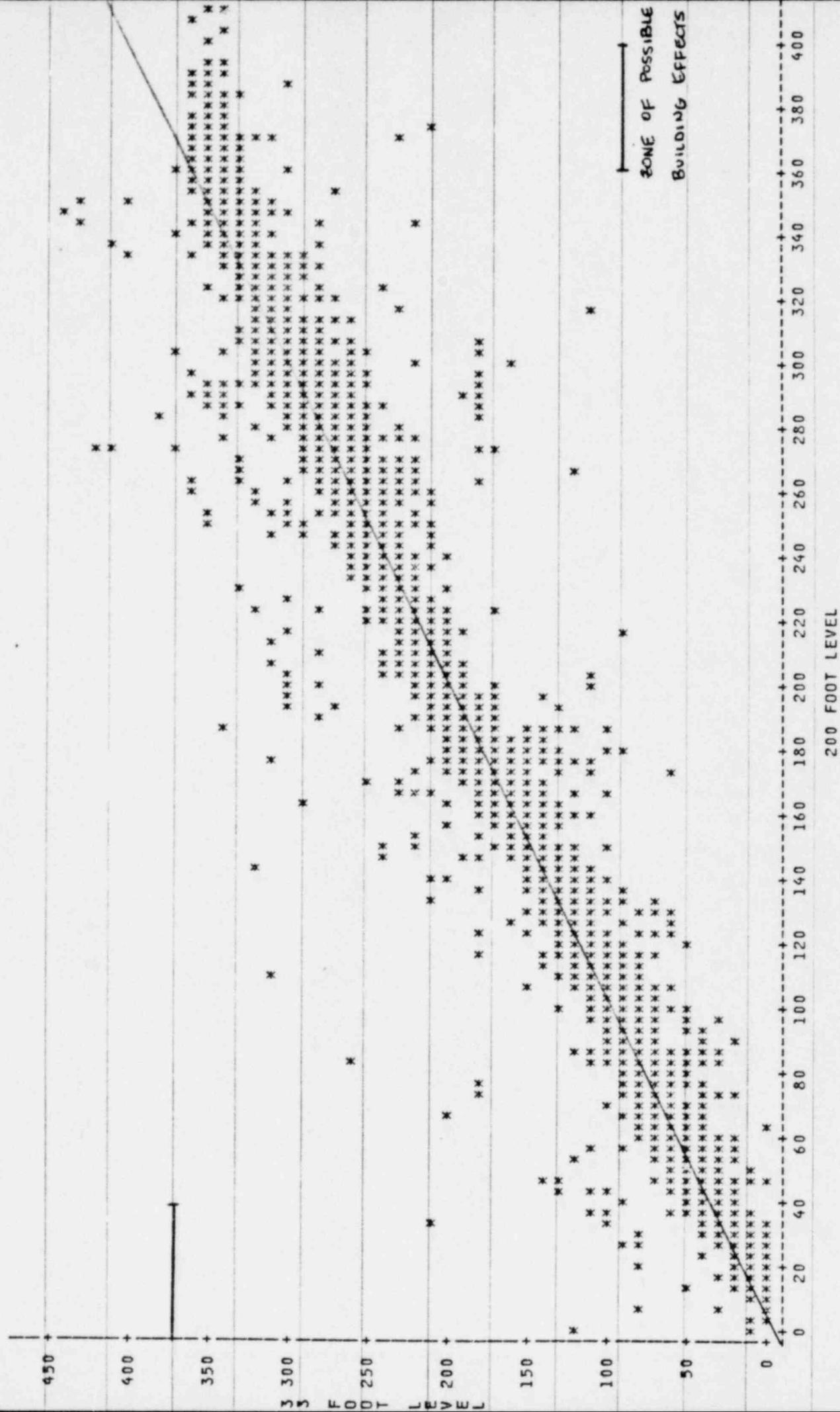
Each regression was based on 4319 hours of data.

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FIGURE 1

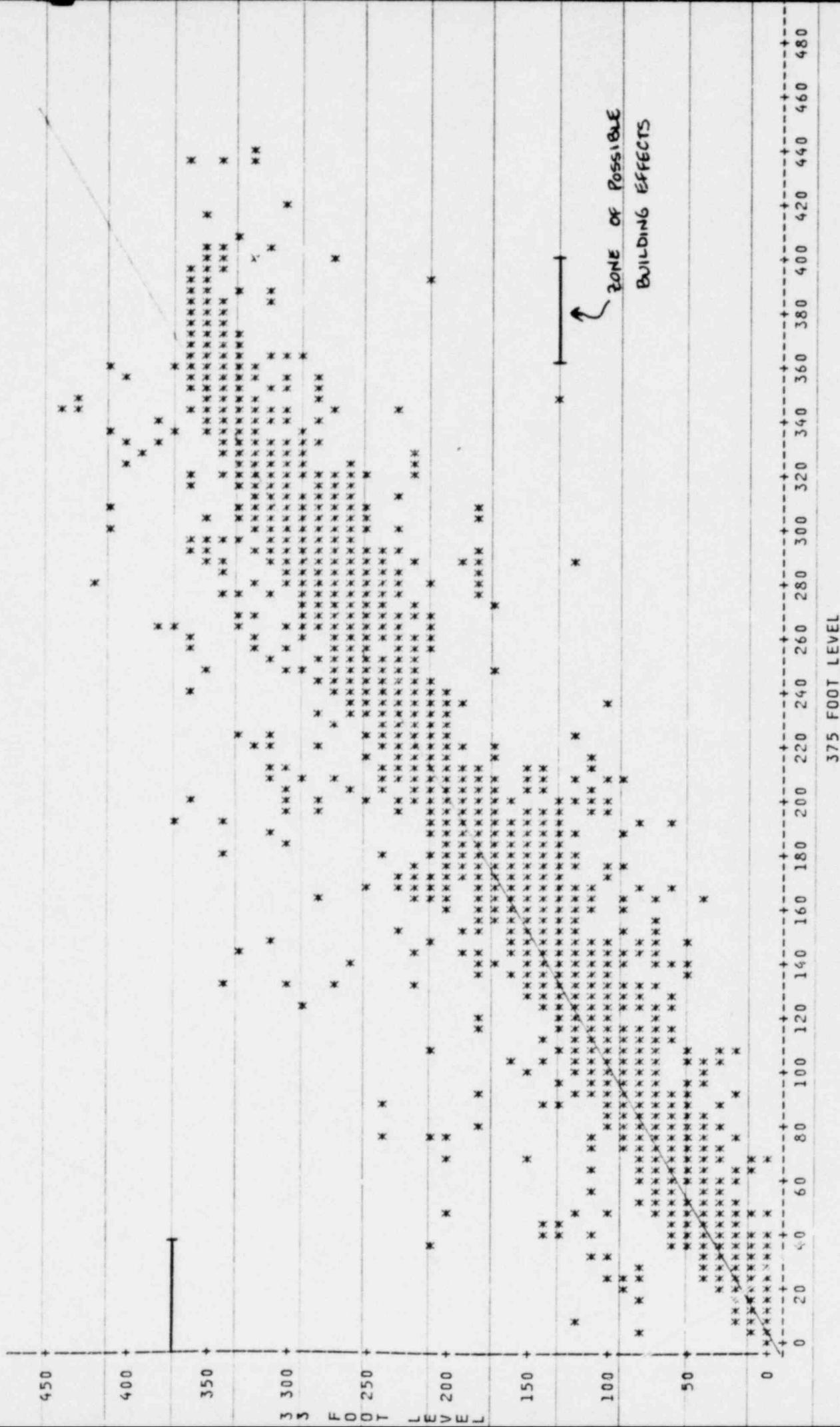
COMPARISON OF THE WIND DIRECTION MEASURED AT 33 FEET AT LA SALLE AND THAT MEASURED AT 200 FEET  
 WIND DIRECTION IS MEASURED IN DEGREES  
 PART 15 FOR THE PERIOD 09/01/81 TO 02/28/82

PLOT OF WD33\*WD200 SYMBOL USED IS \*



NOTE: 3482 OBS HIDDEN

FIGURE 2  
 COMPARISON OF THE WIND DIRECTION MEASURED AT 33 FEET AT LA SALLE AND THAT MEASURED AT 375 FEET  
 WIND DIRECTION IS MEASURED IN DEGREES  
**DATA IS FOR THE PERIOD 09401/81 TO 02/28/82**  
 PLOT OF WD33\*WD375 SYMBOL USED IS \*



NOTE: 3419 OBS HIDDEN