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In the Matter of COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY (Byron Station, Units 1 and 2) Docket Nos. 50-454 and 50-455



Dear Administrative Judges:

On page 6 of the "NRC Staff Response to Admission of DAARE/SAFE 'Revised Contentions, " the Staff noted with respect to the timeliness of Contention 12b that DAARE/SAFF had not indicated how long it had been aware of allegations regarding the Hayward-Tyler pumps. It has come to the Staff's attention since the filing of that pleading that DAARE/SAFE expressed concern about the possibility that "defective" Hayward-Tyler pumps may be in use at Byron on pages 23-24 of its "Supplemental Response to Commonwealth Edison's Request for Additional Information/Contention Four," which it filed February 15, 1981. Thus, contrary to the Staff's statement, it is apparent that DAARE/SAFE was aware of allegations regarding the Hayward-Tyler pumps and the fact that the manufacturer's pumps are installed at Byron at least as of that date.

Sincerely,

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