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Administrative Judges:

Alan S. Rosenthal, Chairman Thomas S. Moore Dr. Reginald L. Gotchy

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In the Matter of

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMFANY

(Dresden Station, Units 2 and 3)

Docket Nos. 50-237 50-249 (Spent Fuel Pool Modification)

ORDER

September 9, 1982

On August 17, 1982, the Licensing Board rendered its final initial decision in this proceeding involving Units 2 and 3 of the Dresden nuclear facility. LBP-82-65, 16 NRC ___. In that decision, the Board authorized the issuance of amendments to the operating licenses for the two units which would allow an increase in spent fuel pool storage capacity. 1/

In a September 24, 1981 partial initial decision, the Board had authorized a modification of the operating license for Unit 3 to permit the installation of five high-density storage racks in that unit's spent fuel pool. LBP-81-37, 14 NRC 708. No appeals were taken from that decision and, by order of November 9, 1981, appellate review of it sua sponte was deferred to await the Licensing Board's ultimate disposition of the license amendment application.

No exceptions have been filed to the August 17 decision.

Accordingly, together with the partial initial decision rendered a year ago (see n. 1 supra), it will now receive this Board's review sua sponte. Because of the press of other business before the Board, it is uncertain when that review will be completed. For this reason, neither decision shall be treated as having achieved administrative finality pending further order of the Board.

It is so ORDERED.

FOR THE APPEAL BOARD

C. Jean Shoemaker Secretary to the Appeal Board