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Facility: Commonwealth Edison Company  
Quad Cities, Units 1 & 2  
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Cordova, IL 61242

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 Notification of Unusual Event  
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 Site Area Emergency  
 General Emergency  
 Not Applicable

Subject: DEFICIENCIES IN OFFSITE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANS

A team leader from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Region VII Office (Kansas City, MO) stated that the offsite emergency preparedness plans for Scott and Clinton Counties in Iowa were "inadequate." He made this observation August 25, 1982 in Moline, Illinois during a public critique of the Quad Cities Emergency Preparedness exercise. Both Scott and Clinton Counties in Iowa are required to demonstrate the proficiency of their emergency plans because they lie within the 10 mile Emergency Preparedness Zone (EPZ) around the Quad Cities plant.

The FEMA representative said neither of the two counties was capable of providing a prompt instructional message to the public once the siren system was activated. This means that although the public can be alerted to an emergency at the plant, there is no provision to inform them of what actions they should or should not take.

NRC Region III and FEMA VII staff members met September 3, 1982 to finalize a formal listing of all offsite emergency preparedness deficiencies. A meeting is scheduled September 9 between the Region III staff and the licensee to discuss the problem.

The news media is aware of the alleged deficiencies. Additional news stories are anticipated.

The States of Illinois and Iowa will be notified.

Region III personnel were in attendance at the public critique on August 25, 1982. This information is current as of 2:30 p.m. September 7, 1982.

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