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Docket No. 50-254 Docket No. 50-265

Commonwealth Edison Company ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed Senior Vice President Opus West III 1400 Opus Place Downers Grove, IL 60515

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. T. Ploski and others of this office on December 4-7, 1990, of activities at the Quad Cities Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, authorized by NRC Operating Licenses No. DPR-29 and No. DPR-30, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. Robey and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection. However, as described in the enclosures to this letter, several exercise weaknesses were identified. In accordance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix E, Paragraph IV.F.5, these exercise weaknesses must be corrected. Accordingly, we request that you provide us with a written response regarding your proposed corrective actions for both exercise weaknesses within 45 days of the date of this letter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The response directed by this letter is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

L. Robert Greger, Chief Reactor Programs Branch

Enclosures: 1. Exercise Weaknesses 2. Inspection Report Nos. 50-254/90018(DRSS); 50-265/90018(DRSS) cc w/enclosures: D. Galle, Vice President - BWR Operations T. Kovach, Nuclear Licensing Manager R. L. Bax, Station Manager DCD/DCB (RIDS) OC/LFDCB Resident Inspectors LaSalle Dresden, Quad Cities Richard Hubbard J. W. McCaffrey, Chief, Public Utilities Division L. Olshan, NRR LPM Robert Newmann, Office of Public Counsel, State of Illinois Center D. Bement, FEMA, R V R. Bissell, FEMA, R VIII

Enclosure 1

EXERCISE WEAKNESSES

- Overall response to the onsite medical emergency was inadequate with respect to the following: the initial medical and contamination assessments of the victim; contamination control techniques demonstrated by the responders; and onscene command and control. (Section 5.b) (Weakness No. 50-254/90018-01)
- 2. The Technical Support Center's dose assessment staff did not adequately analyze the following items, and then did not inform State officials of these items in a timely manner: commencement of an abnormal release; existence of significant radioiodine and cesium components in the simulated release; and the changes in affected downwind sectors to include portions of Iowa in addition to the Illinois portions of the Emergency Planning Zone. (Section 5.c) (Weakness No. 50-254/90018-02)