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Facility: Commonwealth Edison Company
Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station
Docket No. 50-265 Unit 2
Cordova, IL

Licensee Emergency Classification:
____ Notification of Unusual Event
____ Alert
____ Site Area Emergency
____ General Emergency
xx Not Applicable

Subject: BENT PUMP VALVE STEM

On October 21, 1982, the licensee shut Unit 2 down after a dry well/suppression chamber vacuum breaker failed to close during surveillance testing. The vacuum breaker was subsequently lubricated and tested to demonstrate that it was operable.

While the unit was shut down, the licensee discovered that the stem of the recirculation pump discharge valve was bent. Attempts to operate the valve from the control room failed.

The licensee dismantled the valve and replaced the bent portion of the stem. The cause of the stem problem is still being investigated.

The licensee has tested the repaired valve and plans further tests after the reactor has returned to service. The plant is expected to be back in operation on October 25, 1982.

The resident inspectors at the plant site have been monitoring the licensee's repair and testing activities.

Neither the licensee nor Region III (Chicago) plans to issue a news announcement.

The State of Illinois will be notified.

Region III was notified of the shutdown on October 21, 1982, and additional details were obtained on October 25, 1982. This information is current as of 9 a.m. (CDT), October 25, 1982.

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