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Commonwealth Edison Company
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Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated October 18, 1982, informing us of the steps you have taken to correct the items of noncompliance which we brought to your attention in Inspection Report No. 50-454/82-12 forwarded by our letter dated September 10, 1982. We will examine these matters during a subsequent inspection.

With regard to your request to review the severity level assigned to Violation 1, we have reviewed the severity level of this violation and find that it has been correctly categorized. Our conclusion is based on the following: the initial evaluation of the event was inadequate in that the cause of the failure was not determined; the initial evaluation failed to recognize that this event was significant since if it were to remain uncorrected, it could have affected adversely the safety of operation of the facility; and the initial evaluation of this event was not properly documented. We would like to point out that the intent of 50.55(e) to maintain records of evaluations is to provide a basis for evaluation on the part of the NRC with respect to potential safety consequences of deficiencies and the need for further action by the NRC.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by C.E. Norelius"

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