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Dear Dr. Cowan:

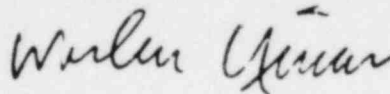
I enclose the NRC Staff's testimony concerning Class 9 accidents in the matter of Commonwealth Edison Company (Byron Station, Units 1 and 2), which the Applicant distributed to parties in the Midland proceeding during the hearings of March 8-11.

The contention in the Byron hearings encompasses substantially the same issues as that before the Board in Midland (Sinclair Contention 13), and the Applicant believes that the NRC Staff's yet to be served testimony on the subject for the Midland hearings will likewise be very similar to the enclosed. The Staff has stated that by Friday, March 18, they will either file their testimony on Sinclair Contention 13 or inform the Board of further delay.

For these reasons the Applicant offers the Staff's Byron testimony as useful "background reading", so that the Staff's Midland testimony, when it arrives, will not be wholly unfamiliar and the inconvenience of receiving testimony close to the start of hearings (March 28) will be less.

For their part, the Staff allows that the contentions and testimony in the Byron and Midland hearings may be similar but does not affirm the utility of parties' having the Byron testimony.

Sincerely,



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