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## CONFIRMATORY ACTION LETTER

Docket No. 50-456

CAL-R111-90-019

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

Gentlemen:

This letter confirms the telephone conversation between W. L. Forney of this office and M. Wallace of your staff on October 4, 1990, related to the loss of reactor coolant inventory from the RHR suction line on October 4, 1990.

With regard to this event, we understand that you either have or will:

1. Maintain Unit 1 at Mode 5, Cold Shutdown.
2. Conduct an independent investigation for the root cause of this event. Your investigation should include, as a minimum, an evaluation of the sequence of events that permitted this problem to occur including consideration of the adequacy of supervision to control work activities, adequacy of applicable procedures, and the capability of the personnel involved to perform their duties (e.g. overtime).
3. Stop all station surveillance activities that could be subjected to the same root cause problem; however, this does not include those activities necessary to meet the Technical Specification surveillance requirements for the present mode of operation for each unit.
4. For those activities required by the Technical Specifications, provide sufficient oversight on all Technical Specifications surveillance to ensure that no interface problems will occur.
5. Ensure that all personnel involved in this event are available for interviews.
6. If, at anytime, your investigation indicates that the root cause problems are applicable to other ongoing station activities, you will initiate the necessary actions to prevent similar significant events.
7. Prior to entering Mode 4, concurrence will be obtained from the Regional Administrator or his designee.
8. Submit to NRC Region III a formal report of your findings and conclusions including the root cause analysis of this event and the associated corrective actions within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

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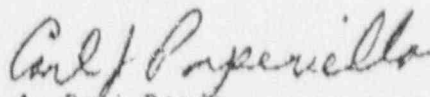
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None of the actions specified herein should be construed to take precedence over actions which you feel necessary to ensure plant and personnel safety.

Please let us know immediately if your understanding differs from that set out above.

Sincerely,



A. Bert Davis  
Regional Administrator

CC:

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PWR Operations
- T. Kovach, Nuclear  
Licensing Manager
- S. Hunsader, Nuclear  
Licensing Administrator
- K. Kofron, Station Manager
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- J. R. Goldberg, OGC
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