

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY

DOCKET NOS. STN 50-456, STN 50-457, STN 50-454 AND STN 50-455

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENTS TO

FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has received a request from Commonwealth Edison Company (CECo, the licensee) to withdraw CECo's application for a proposed amendment to Facility Operating License Nos. NPF-72, NPF-77, NPF-37 and NPF-66, issued to the licensee for operation of the Braidwood Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, and Byron Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, respectively, located in Will County and Ogle County, Illinois, respectively. Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License, Proposed No Significant Hazards Consideration Determination, and Opportunity for Hearing was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER on August 26, 1987 (52 FR 32196).

The proposed amendment would change Technical Specifications (TSs) 3.8.1.1 and 4.8.1.1.2 to minimize diesel generator wear and mechanical stress, by clarifying how the gradual loading of the diesel engine is applied. Also, the change would clarify that all surveillance tests may be proceeded by warm-up procedures and, with the exception of the one performed once per 184 days, may also include gradual loading as recommended by the manufacturer. The change would also remove some interim notes in TSs 3.8.1.1 and 4.8.1.1.2 for Byron Station.

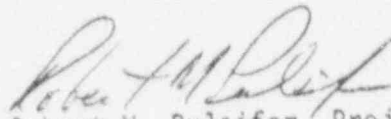
By letter dated June 22, 1990, the licensee withdrew the application for the proposed amendments. The Commission has considered the licensee's request and has determined that permission to withdraw the July 28, 1987, application for amendment should be granted.

For further details with respect to this action, see (1) the application for amendment dated July 28, 1987, as amended August 10, 1987, and (2) the staff's letter dated March 27, 1991 .

These documents are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. and at the local public document room located at: for Braidwood, the Wilmington Township Public Library, 201 S. Kankakee Street, Wilmington, Illinois 60481; for Byron, the Byron Public Library, 109 N. Franklin, P.O. Box 434, Byron, Illinois 61010.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 27th day of March, 1991.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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