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Boston Edison Company M/C Nuclear
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Management Meeting

This refers to the meeting held at the NRC Region I Office on March 4, 1983 concerning development and implementation of Boston Edison Company's (BECO) Performance Improvement Program. This meeting was attended by yourself and other members of BECO management; and, members of the NRC staff.

The topics discussed at this meeting are included in the Region I Meeting Summary which is enclosed with this letter. It is our view that these periodic meetings are mutually beneficial and provide an opportunity for discussion of the various aspects of the ongoing BECO Performance Improvement Program.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed Meeting Summary will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions concerning this meeting, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely, Original Signed By:

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Enclosure: Region I Meeting Summary

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NRC REGION I MEETING SUMMARY

License No.: DPR-35
Docket No.: 50-293
Licensee: Boston Edison Company (BECO)
Facility: Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS)
Subject: Progress Report on Implementation of Performance Improvement Program (PIP)

Summary of Meeting with BECO on March 4, 1983

On March 4, 1983, the Senior Vice President-Nuclear and other members of BECO management met with NRC Region I staff (attendees listed in Appendix A to this summary) at the NRC Region I Office, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, to discuss the status of BECO's PIP (Revision I, submitted on July 29, 1982) that is being implemented as a result of the NRC order issued to BECO on January 18, 1982.

The meeting opened with a discussion of general information items including status of licensee operator qualification and training, plant status, and the five year integrated work plan which is a detailed look at long range goals through the next two refueling outages. The licensee indicated that during the week of March 6, five personnel were scheduled to take the licensing examination for watch engineer. Qualification of these personnel would add considerable flexibility to the licensee's watch-standing capability.

A status of each of the January, 1983 milestones was then presented by the licensee, who indicated that all of the eight milestones had been met. There was considerable discussion on Item II.8.B.2, which involves a revision and update of the Boston Edison Quality Assurance Manual (BEQUAM). The licensee has removed many of the detailed procedures from the BEQUAM and these will now be handled in department level procedure manuals. The licensee also indicated that several Nuclear Operating Procedures (NOP's) will be issued to cover the interdepartmental aspects of the QA process which had previously been described in the BEQUAM. The NRC Region I staff indicated that the revision to the QA program will be examined in future inspections.

The status of the five February milestones just completed were briefly discussed. The licensee indicated that all milestones have been met; however, in a telephone conversation subsequent to the meeting the licensee qualified this position with regard to Item III.1.B.3. This item requires development of nuclear organization (NUORG) level procedures presenting departmental responsibilities and interfaces with regard to disposition of changes to NRC regulations. Procedures to fulfill this requirement, although existing in the draft stage, will not be completely issued as final until a later date, yet to be determined. The licensee intends to correspond in writing with NRC Region I on this issue in the near future.

The licensee then provided Region I a copy of Revision 2 to the Performance Improvement Program. In part, changes implemented by Revision 2 are intended to resolve concerns raised by NRC Region I in a September 27, 1982 letter to BECO regarding the PIP. A brief discussion of the Revision format and content followed. NRC Region I will review Revision 2 to the PIP and forward questions, if any, to BECO for resolution.

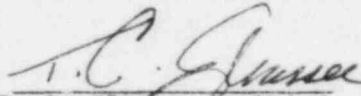
The final two items discussed by the licensee involved additional information on two previously completed milestones: revision of the BECo Policy Manual and the BECo Quality Assurance (QA) audit of PIP implementation.

The licensee has identified a total of fifty existing policies which must be issued as Nuclear Operating Procedures (NOP's). This project is well underway, with most of the required NOP's somewhere in the development/approval process. Final completion of the entire program is scheduled for Fall, 1983.

A copy of the first BECo QA audit had been previously provided to Region I management for review. A brief discussion of the findings was held; the NRC indicated that licensee actions to correct the internal BECo audit findings would be reviewed during future inspections.

The meeting concluded with a tentative decision to hold the next management meeting on May 10, 1983, either at the Pilgrim site or at BECo headquarters in Boston.

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APPENDIX A

Attendees of the NRC-Boston Edison Company meeting on March 4, 1983 at the NRC Region I Office.

Boston Edison Company

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