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Commonwealth Edison Company  
ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed  
Senior Vice President  
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Dear Mr. Reed:

This letter refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. A. Holmes of this office on March 9-13, 1992. This inspection, at the Byron Nuclear Generating Station, Units 1 and 2, included an assessment and evaluation of your support and implementation of your fire protection program. At the conclusion of the inspection, we discussed our inspection findings with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the inspection report. Within these areas, we selectively examined procedures and representative records, made observations, and conducted interviews with your personnel.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice).

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Mark A. Ring  
M. A. Ring, Chief  
Engineering Branch

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Reports  
No. 50-454/92007(DRS);  
No. 50-455/92007(DRS)

cc w/enclosures:

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