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Mr. J. Nelson Grace, Director Division of Quality Assurance, Safeguards, and Inspection Programs Office of Inspection and Enforcement U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Grace:

Subject: Clinton Power Station, Independent Design Review

Illinois Power Company Job No. 15478-003

Implementation Inspection Report 50-461/84-39

This letter acknowledges the NRC comments of a technical nature discussed in the NRC report of November 6, 1984 covering the NRC inspection of the IDR on October 18 and 19, 1984. The technical comments in the NRC report will be addressed, in all cases, in the Final Report. This is in accordance with the option provided in the NRC letter of November 6, 1984.

Some initial responses are, however, appropriate at this time. First, in responding to the NRC report, the IDR Team does not interpret it to mean that the the should verify or otherwise challenge the FSAR as the standard for the IDR work. As stated in the IDR Program Plan, the FSAR (and some other related documents) are employed by the IDR Team as the source of commitments for the Clinton design. Second, in some cases the NRC comments indicated the need for additional clarification of the nature of the work by the IDR Team and the scope of the IDR, and this clarification will be provided in the Final Report. Finally, where some additional work was recommended, that work is being performed and will be described in the Final Report or appropriate justification for not performing the work will be provided.

In summary, the IDR Team proposes to be fully responsive to the NRC inspection report.

Very truly yours,

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