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Docket No. 50-454

Commonwealth Edison Company ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed Vice President Post Office Box 767 Chicago, IL 60690

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. M. Ring, R. Ferrell, C. VanDenburgh, D. Butler, A. Dunlop, L. Reyes, and Ms. M. McCormick-Barger of this office on October 2 through November 6, 1984, of activities at Byron Nuclear Power Station authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-23 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. V. Schlosser, Mr. R. Querio and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix. With respect to items 2 and 3, the inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified noncompliances and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to these items of noncompliance are required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

Regarding the remaining item, a written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure(s) will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written explication to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1). If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, a copy of this letter, the enclosure(s), and your response to this letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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.

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

Sincerely,

"Original signed by R.I. Specsard"

R. L. Spessard, Director Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosures:

Appendix, Notice of Violation

2. Inspection Report No. 50-454/84-73(DRS)

cc w/encls:

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