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Docket No. 50-254
Docket No. 50-265

Commonwealth Edison Company
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted at Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, by Messrs. R. A. Hasse and R. N. Sutphin of the Region III staff during the period January 21 through February 7, 1985. The results of the inspection are documented in Inspection Report Nos. 50-254/85-02(DRS); 50-265/85-02(DRS) transmitted to you by our letter dated March 1, 1985.

The inspection results indicated that the modification control program was not properly implemented. As we stated in our letter transmitting the inspection report, the seriousness of the matter led us to consider escalated enforcement action. The issues were subsequently discussed during an enforcement conference held in the NRC Region III office on March 15, 1985.

During the conference, your staff pointed out that while the standby gas treatment system heaters were disabled as the result of improperly installed jumpers, and although the system was degraded it would have performed its design functions. We agree with your comments and have determined that this violation does not warrant escalated enforcement action. Since this issue (Violation example A in the enclosed Notice of Violation) was the principal reason for us considering escalated enforcement action, we have assigned a Severity Level IV to the violation in light of the information provided by your staff. A written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790, a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The response 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
James G. Keppler

James G. Keppler
Regional Administrator

Enclosure: Appendix, Notice
of Violation

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