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Docket No. 50-293

Boston Edison Company M/C Nuclear
ATTN: Mr. William D. Harrington
Senior Vice President, Nuclear
800 Boylston Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02199

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-293/84-28

This refers to the restart readiness assessment team inspection conducted by a team led by Mr. T. C. Elsasser of this office on September 26 and 27, 1984, and October 1-5, 1984, of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-35 at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station, Plymouth, Massachusetts, and at the corporate offices, Braintree, Massachusetts and to discussions of our findings held by Mr. T. C. Elsasser with Mr. A. L. Oxsen and members of your staff on October 5, 1984.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the revised NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 8583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A. Please ensure that your response addresses the concern of any possible damage that may have previously occurred to conduit, process piping, or floor structural integrity due to the lack of control of past core drilling operations.

Other inspection team findings have been characterized as program strengths or weaknesses, as appropriate, and are documented in Appendices B and C, respectively, to this letter. You are requested to respond to Appendix C within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter, stating actions taken or planned to improve the areas identified as weaknesses.

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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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Richard W. Starostecki, Director
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B, Licensee Strengths
3. Appendix C, Licensee Weaknesses
4. NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-293/84-28

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