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In the Matter of
Commonwealth Edison Company
(Braidwood Nuclear Power Station, Units 1 and 2)
Docket Nos. 50-456 and 50-457

Dear Parties to the Proceeding:

On May 10, 1985, a telephone conference was held in this proceeding to consider the request for extension of time made by counsel for Bridget Little Rorem, *et al.* The NRC Staff participated in the conference by Elaine Chan, an attorney in Hearing Branch I assigned as Staff counsel for this proceeding and myself, the supervising attorney who heads Hearing Branch I. During the conference, Judge Brenner observed that until the conference call, he was not aware of my involvement in the proceeding. He wished to disclose that prior to becoming a member of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel, he and I had interacted on a professional level. Also, for more than ten years, we have interacted on a social basis and that our wives, in particular, are good friends and have frequent social interaction. Judge Brenner stated that he did not believe our past association would influence in any way his rulings in this proceeding or affect his ability to conduct a fair and impartial hearing in this proceeding. However, he wished to disclose the above-stated information to the parties so that each party could determine whether it wished to pursue any action authorized by the Commission's regulations based on disclosure of this information. See 10 C.F.R. § 2.704. Counsel for Applicant and counsel for Rorem each indicated it was their current view that Judge Brenner's ability to conduct a fair and impartial hearing was not affected by this disclosure.

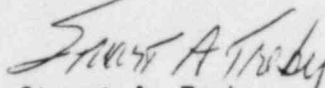
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During the conference, I confirmed the accuracy of Judge Brenner's disclosure. Further, I indicated I had previously disclosed the same facts to my management. For my part, I do not believe the facts disclosed by Judge Brenner and myself will affect my ability to perform my duties in a proper manner.

Bob Neiner Farms, Inc., a party admitted to the proceeding, was not involved in the conference. In these circumstances, Judge Brenner suggested I submit a written disclosure statement and serve it on all parties.

Sincerely,



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