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Facility: Commonwealth Edison Company
Dresden Units 2 and 3
Morris, IL 60450

Docket Nos: 50-237; 50-249

Licensee Emergency Classification:
XX Notification of an Unusual Event
Alert
Site Area Emergency
General Emergency
Not Applicable

Subject: BOTTOM OF CONTROL ROOM PANELS UNBOLTED

At 5:05 p.m. (CST), April 1, 1986, the licensee declared an unusual event and began shutting down Unit 2 from 100 per cent power after it was determined that all main control room panels for Units 2 and 3 were not installed according to design drawings. (Unit 3 has been shut down for recirculation pipe replacement since October 1985.)

The licensee reported that the bottom of each control room panel was not bolted to a support beam, but resting on top of it. (The top of each panel is attached to the ceiling, as designed.) Failure to bolt a panel's bottom reduces the panel's ability to remain operable in a seismic event. This condition apparently has existed since construction.

The licensee is now bolting the panels to the support beams, and investigating the cause of this discrepancy. Region III (Chicago) is following the licensee's course of action.

The State of Illinois will be notified.

The Resident Inspector was first informed of the unbolted panels at 2 p.m. (CST), April 1, 1986. This information is current as of 10:30 a.m., April 2, 1986.

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