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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Dresden Station Unit 1
Operator Regualification Program
NRC Docket No. 50-10

Reference (a): R. L. Bolger letter to P. F. Collins
dated June 8, 1977

Dear Mr. Collins:

Reference (a) transmitted the Commonwealth Edison "Requalification Program for Licensed Operators, Senior Operators and Senior Operators (Limited)". Section III, Paragraph B of the Program states in part: "Operators licensed on all three Dresden Units must perform three of the ten required plant control manipulations on Dresden Unit 1."

This requirement will become impossible to meet because the current Dresden Unit 1 Operating License (DPR-2) only allows operation with the current plant configuration until October 31, 1978. The unit is presently shutdown and is expected to remain in this condition for a period approaching 15 months in order to install several extensive modifications and a large scale chemical cleaning program.

We wish to request a temporary waiver on this requirement (Section III, Paragraph B) as mentioned above in order to maintain our operators' licenses active by allowing them to renew on Unit 1 without the three required reactivity changes.

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Since the Unit is shutdown for an extended period and since many modifications will be made, we realize that a special training/retraining program is in order shortly before start-up. It is proposed that this program last approximately eighty hours for each individual licensed on Unit 1 and will cover a review of all systems, modifications, procedures and Technical Specifications. The program would culminate in an examination which would require a minimum of 80% to pass. Personnel achieving less than 80% would be given further training in their weak areas and administered another examination different from the first, also requiring an 80% grade.

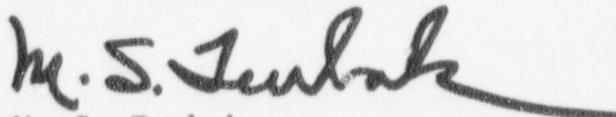
In addition, it should be pointed out that the present program of lectures, examinations and modification training for Unit 1 would continue throughout the entire shutdown period.

We believe that this proposed program will maintain our licensed personnel at their present high level of competence.

Please contact this office if you have any questions concerning this request.

One (1) signed original and thirty-nine (39) copies of this letter are provided for your review.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "M. S. Turbak", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

M. S. Turbak
Nuclear Licensing Administrator
Boiling Water Reactors