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Docket No. 50-293

Boston Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. Ralph G. Bird
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Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-293/88-21, Integrated
Assessment Team Inspection

This refers to the Integrated Assessment Team Inspection (IATI) led by Mr. A. Randy Blough of this office on August 8-24, 1988, at the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station (PNPS), Plymouth, Massachusetts. The results of the inspection are documented in the enclosed inspection report. At the conclusion of the inspection, an exit interview was held with you and members of your staff to discuss the scope and the findings of the inspection.

The purpose of this inspection was to perform an independent, in-depth assessment of the readiness of management controls, programs, and personnel to support safe restart and operation of the facility. The inspection Team performed an integrated evaluation of various functional areas, including operations, maintenance, surveillance, radiation protection, security, training, fire protection, and assurance of quality. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of interviews with personnel, observations of plant activities, and selective examinations of procedures, records, and documents by the inspectors.

Within the scope of its review, the Team concluded with high confidence that Boston Edison Company (BECO) management controls, programs, and personnel are generally ready and performing at a level to support safe startup and operation of the facility. Those technical items requiring resolution or completion prior to restart are being addressed and tracked by BECO. The Team identified a relatively small number of additional items for which actions or evaluations appear appropriate; BECO has made commitments in those areas, as detailed in section 2.4 of the enclosed report. As a result of this inspection, the Team concluded that there are currently no fundamental flaws in BECO's management structure, management performance, programs, or program implementation that would inhibit its ability to assure reactor or public safety during plant operation.

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If your understanding of any item detailed in Section 2.4 of the enclosed report differs from that stated, please contact Mr. Blough or me promptly. The NRC will review the status of these issues prior to any restart of PNPS.

The results of this inspection will be considered during the NRC staff's deliberations as it reaches its decision regarding a PNPS restart recommendation to the NRC Commission.

No written reply to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-293/88-21

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