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SUBJECT:

Exercise Report of the August 27, 1985, Exercise of the Offsite Radiological Emergency Preparedness Plans for the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station

Attached is the final exercise report of the August 27, 1985, joint exercise of the offsite radiological emergency preparedness plans for the Quad Cities Nuclear Power Station, Cordova, Illinois. This was a full-participation exercise for the State of Iowa, Clinton and Scott Counties. The State of Illinois and its localities were not scheduled to participate in this exercise. The exercise report, dated October 25, 1985, was prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region VII.

Region VII has provided copies of this report to the State of Iowa and requested a schedule of corrective actions. When we receive and analyze the corrective actions, we will send you the results of that review.

The Quad Cities exercise identified a problem with the plan for notification from the utility to the offsite governments. At the exercise, a procedure was adequately demonstrated whereby all levels of governments would be notified simultaneously of emergencies at the plant. However, FEMA Region VII learned that the simultaneous procedure was in effect only for the exercise, and contrary to information provided by the State of Iowa, was not part of the standing plan of the utility. In the attached September 4, 1985 letter, FEMA Region VII informed the State that it couldn't accept changing a procedure only for an exercise. It also set forth certain requirements for the State to meet in order to correct this situation.

By the attached January 3, 1986 memorandum, FEMA Region VII confirmed that the required plan changes have been made, including the execution of an acceptable letter of agreement by Iowa, Illinois and Commonwealth Edison. The applicable plans now document the simultaneous notification procedure adequately demonstrated in the August 27, 1985 exercise. These actions successfully resolve the problems previously identified with the simultaneous notification procedures at the Quad Cities site.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Robert S. Wilkerson, Chief, Technological Hazards Division, at 646-2860.

Attachments As Stated