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Commonwealth Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed
Senior Vice President
Post Office Box 767
Chicago, IL 60690

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. P. G. Brochman, L. R. Greger, W. W. Ogg, R. M. Lerch, T. M. Tongue, R. B. Landsman, and P. R. Sunderland and Mss. N. V. Gilles and B. A. Azab of this office from April 1 through May 16, 1988, of activities at Byron Station Units 1 and 2, authorized by NRC Operating Licenses No. NPF-37 and No. NPF-66, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. Pleniewicz and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Notice. With respect to item 3, the inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified violation and to prevent recurrence. Our understanding of your corrective actions is described in Paragraph 12 of the enclosed inspection report. Consequently, no reply to that violation is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

Regarding items 1 and 2, a written response is required.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by J. M. Hinds, Jr."

W. L. Forney, Chief,
Reactor Projects Branch 1

Enclosures:

- 1. Notice of Violation
- 2. Inspection Reports
 - No. 50-454/88007(DRP);
 - No. 50-455/88007(DRP)

cc w/enclosures:

- T. Maiman, Vice President,
PWR Operations
- H. Bliss, Nuclear Licensing
Manager
- R. Pleniewicz, Station Manager
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Resident Inspector, RIII Byron
Resident Inspector, RIII Braidwood
- L. Olshan, NRR PM
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- Diane Chavez, DAARE/SAFE
- Richard Hubbard

RIII *For* Brochman/jp
 RIII *yes* VanSickle Azab
 RIII *RM* 5/26/88
 RIII *BA* Landsman
 RIII *yes* Greger
 RIII *yes* Hinds
 RIII *yes* Forney
 RIII *yes* Forney