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Docket No. 50-454

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Commonwealth Edison Company  
ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed  
Senior Vice President  
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Gentlemen:

This is in reponse to your letters dated April 14, 1988 and May 20, 1988. Your letters were submitted in response to our Inspection Reports No. 50-454/88004 and 50-455/88005(DRSS), dated March 8, 1988, and requested that the NRC reclassify a violation issued in that report as an Open Item. After reviewing your letters, we have concluded that the violation cited in the above referenced report is valid and does not warrant reclassification as an Open Item. The basis for our decision is outlined in the enclosure to this letter.

Since your response addressed the reasons why the cited violation should be reclassified instead of responding to the Notice of Violation, you are requested to provide another written response to the violation contained in Inspection Report No. 50-454/88004; 50-455/88005(DRSS), dated March 8, 1988, and address the three areas identified in the Notice of Violation. Your statement of corrective action regarding the violation should be submitted within 30 days after receipt of this letter and as a separate enclosure in the manner prescribed.

Please note that the basis for citing the violation was explained to site security managers and addressed in detail in Section 8.2 of the Report Details. This conclusion was finalized after extensive coordination with NRC Region III enforcement personnel, security licensing, and Regulatory Effectiveness Review team representatives within the NRC Division of Reactor Inspection and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation. In summary, we expect intrusion detection systems to detect intrusion attempts to the degree of assurance required by the Security Plan. We are concerned that your response appears to justify a lower level of performance as being acceptable.

We have also reviewed your response in relation to a potential site specific backfit issue and have determined that the issue does not constitute a backfit.

The response directed by this letter is 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.

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The enclosure to this letter concerns a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Part 73, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 73.21(c)(2). This information must be handled and protected in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter will not be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY C. E. NORELIUS

Charles E. Norelius, Director  
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and Safeguards

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