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Charles Young; Filing of Petition for Rulemaking

PRM 5050
(53FR 32624)

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking; correction.

SUMMARY: This document clarifies a portion of the notice of receipt for a petition for rulemaking filed by Charles Young and docketed as PRM-50-50. The notice of receipt for this petition was published August 26, 1988 (53 FR 32624). This notice provides additional information in support of the petitioner's original intent.

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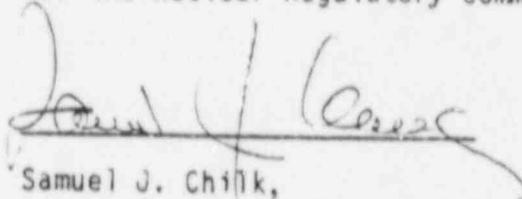
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In the notice of receipt for PRM-50-50 published on August 26, 1988 (53 FR 32624), under the heading, "II. Grounds for the Petition," remove the first two sentences and insert the following sentences in their place:

The petitioner states that not following technical specifications in an emergency could lead to an accident similar to the one at Three Mile Island, Unit 2. The petitioner states that Federal Regulations require a nuclear plant safety system to pump water into a nuclear reactor as long as the abnormal condition which activated the system persists; but, that Commonwealth Edison's Policy permits operators to turn off water being pumped into a nuclear reactor during an emergency before the safety system has finished its job. The petitioner notes that turning off water being pumped into a nuclear reactor during an emergency can cause a nuclear fuel meltdown, release of highly radioactive fission products, and exposure of plant personnel and people nearby to hazardous radiation. The petitioner offers that during a Proceeding before the Illinois Commerce Commission on September 15, 1987, Commonwealth Edison's attorney cited 10 CFR 50.54, paragraphs (x) and (y) as authority for their policy. The petitioner states that this policy applies to all of Commonwealth Edison's nuclear power plants; therefore, the petitioner concludes that Commonwealth Edison risks an accident such as the accident at Three Mile Island Unit 2 at twelve nuclear power plants.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 11th day of October 1988.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.



Samuel J. Chilk,

Secretary of the Commission.