

## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Commonwealth Edison Company  
Quad Cities, Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-254; 265  
License Nos. DPR-29; DPR-30

During an NRC inspection completed on December 4, 1997, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG 1600, the violations are listed below:

1. 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVII states, in part, that sufficient records shall be maintained to furnish evidence of activities affecting quality. These records include records of tests, which shall be identifiable and retrievable.

Contrary to the above, as of December 4, 1997, the licensee was unable to retrieve records of inservice inspection leakage tests of the Class 1 system, completed during the Unit 1 and Unit 2 1995 refueling outages, that were required by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Code (ASME) Code Section XI.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I) (VIO 50-254/97027-04(DRS); 50-265/97027-04(DRS)).

2. 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI states in part that "measures shall be established to assure that conditions adverse to quality, such as failures, malfunctions....are promptly identified and corrected."

Contrary to the above, as of November 5, 1997, the licensee had failed to implement the corrective action process for the failed Unit 1 reactor vessel flange inner O-ring seal. Specifically, a continuous alarm condition indicative of an inner O-ring seal failure had existed since August 31, 1996 and the licensee had not initiated a problem identification form.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I) (VIO 50-254/97027-05(DRS)).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Commonwealth Edison is hereby required to submit a written statement of explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will

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be given to extending the response time. Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois  
the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of December 1997