Mr. Oliver D. Kingsley President, Nuclear Generation Group Commonwealth Edison Company ATTN: Regulatory Services Executive Towers West III 1400 Opus Place, Suite 500 Downers Grove, IL 60515

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

In a telephone conversation on January 26, 1998, between Mr. H. Peterson and Mr. C. Cerovac, arrangements were made for the administration of licensing examinations at the Braidwood Generating Station the weeks of April 13, 1998 and September 14, 1998. During the week of April 13, 1998, a re-examination on the Job Performance Measure (JPM) section of the operating test will be validated and administered to Mr. Heinrich at the Braidwood Generating Station. The week of September 14, 1998, a re-examination on the written portion of the licensing examination will be administered to Mr. Sherman in parallel with the written examination being administered to the Byron Generating Station. The validation of the written examination will be performed concurrently with the Byron licensing examination.

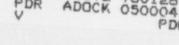
As agreed during the telephone conversation, your staff will prepare the examinations based on the guidelines in Interim Revision 8, of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." The NRC regional office will discuss with your staff any changes that might be necessary before the examinations are administered.

To meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for your staff to furnish the JPM examination outline, the JPM portion of the operating test, and the supporting reference materials identified in Attachment 2 of ES-201 by April 6, 1998. The written examination material will be coordinated along with the Byron licensing examination scheduled for September 14, 1998. Any delay in receiving the required examination and reference materials, or the submittal of inadequate or incomplete materials, may cause the examinations to be rescheduled.

In order to conduct the requested written examinations and operating tests, it will be necessary for your staff to provide adequate space and accommodations in accordance with ES-402, and to make the simulation facility available on the dates noted above. In accordance with ES-302, your staff should retain the original simulator performance data (e.g., system pressures, temperatures, and levels) generated during the dynamic operating tests until the examination results are final.

Appendix E of NUREG-1021 contains a number of NRC policies and guidelines that will be in effect while the written examinations and operating tests are being administered.

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To permit timely NRC review and evaluation, your staff should submit preliminary reactor operator and senior reactor operator license applications (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval number 3150-0090), medical certifications (OMB approval number 3150-0024), and waiver requests (if any) (OMB approval number 3150-0090) at least 30 days before the first examination date. If the applications are not received at least 30 days before the examination date, a postponement may be necessary. Signed applications certifying that all training has been completed should be submitted at least 14 days before the first examination date.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Mr. Cerovac has been advised of the policies and guidelines referenced in this letter. If you have any questions regarding the NRC's examination procedures and guidelines, please contact Mr. H. Peterson at 630-829-9707, or me at 630-829-9705.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by Hironori Peterson (for)

Melvyn N. Leach, Chief Operator Licensing Branch

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