

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Commonwealth Edison Company
Byron Station, Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-454; 50-455
License Nos. NPF-37; NPF-66

During an NRC inspection conducted between December 2, 1997, and January 12, 1998, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with NUREG-1600, "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," the violations are listed below:

Technical Specification 6.8.1.g states that written procedures shall be established, implemented, and maintained covering the Fire Protection Program implementation.

1. Byron Administrative Procedure (BAP) 1100-9, "Control, Use, and Storage of Flammable and Combustible Liquids and Aerosols," Revision 4, paragraph C.6.c, requires, in part, that flammable/combustible liquid soaked rags . . . shall be properly disposed of by using an approved waste can with a self closing lid . . .

Contrary to the above, on December 3, 1997, the licensee did not implement Procedure BAP 1100-9, paragraph C.6.c, in that oil soaked rags were found in a 55-gallon barrel without a self closing lid outside the 1A chemical and volume control system (CV) pump room (50-454/455-97024-01(DRP)).

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I)

2. Byron Administrative Procedure (BAP) 1100-9, "Control, Use, and Storage of Flammable and Combustible Liquids and Aerosols," Revision 4, paragraph C.2.a, requires that all flammable and combustible liquid containers transported into plant areas, which will be left unattended, shall have prior authorization by the Station Fire Marshal/designee. Authorization shall be accomplished by completing a Transient Fire Load Permit and submitting it to the Station Fire Marshal/designee for approval. An approved Transient Fire Load tag will then be issued upon Fire Marshal approval.

Contrary to the above, on December 8, 1997, the licensee did not implement Procedure BAP 1100-9, paragraph C.2.a, in that the inspectors identified 13 containers of flammable liquid staged near the Unit 2 fuel transfer canal control panel and left unattended without a Transient Fire Load Permit. (50-454/455-97024-02(DRP)).

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Commonwealth Edison is hereby required to submit a written statement or 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 the 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. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in the Notice, an order may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or

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why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

If you contest this enforcement action, you should also provide a copy of your response to the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001

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. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois
this 3rd day of February 1998