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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Subject: LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2
Safety Parameter Display System,
Validyne CM-249 Isolator - NRC Request
for Additional Information
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373 and 50-374

Reference: Letter from A. Bournia to D.L. Farrar,
dated March 4, 1987 concerning "Request
for Additional Information on Safety
Parameter Display System Isolation for
LaSalle County Station, Units 1 & 2".

Dear Sir:

The following is Commonwealth Edison Company's understanding of proposed actions as a result of the conference call between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Commonwealth Edison Company and Sargent & Lundy on March 10, 1987, related to the above subject and reference letter. Following the Detroit Edison meeting dated March 19, 1987, the NRC indicated that it would take a short period of time to resolve internal questions and publish a final safety evaluation report. Therefore, the following have been or will be done:

1. Commonwealth Edison Company and Sargent & Lundy met with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on March 19, 1987 at the Fermi 2 Nuclear Plant to hear the Detroit Edison discussion regarding:
 - (a) SPDS design utilizing the Validyne CM 249 Isolator.
 - (b) An agreeable definition of Maximum Credible Fault (MCF) as applied to the Validyne Isolator usage in SPDS.
2. Within two (2) weeks following the issuance of a final SER to Detroit Edison, CECO will notify the NRC of the decision of Commonwealth Edison as to the actions which will be taken regarding Validyne CM 249 Isolators installed in the SPDS system at LaSalle.

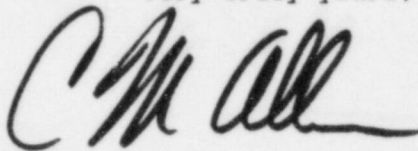
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Commonwealth Edison Company questioned the necessity for disconnecting SPDS (identified in the reference letter) in view of the plant risks and associated costs with disconnection. Obviously, this would remove a valuable tool from service which was specifically designed to assist in assessment of conditions during an accident. The NRC responded that SPDS need not be disconnected at this time as long as timely resolution of this issue is being pursued by Commonwealth Edison. Based on this concurrence and our time line identified in item 2 above, the SPDS will remain in operation until this issued is resolved.

If you have any additional questions regarding this matter, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. M. Allen', written in a cursive style.

C. M. Allen
Nuclear Licensing Administrator

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Attachments

cc: Dr. A. Bournia - NRR
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