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Docket No. 50-456

Commonwealth Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed
Vice President
Post Office Box 767
Chicago, IL 60690

Gentlemen:

This refers to the special safeguards inspection conducted by Messrs. J. L. Belanger and G. L. Pirtle of this office on January 5-9, 1987, of activities at Braidwood Nuclear Power Station, Unit 1, authorized by NRC Operating License No. NPF-59 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. E. Fitzpatrick and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. A written response is required.

The violation described in the Notice to this letter represents a management breakdown in your security program that we consider to be significant. It should be noted, however, that due to the status of the plant, an act of radiological sabotage as defined in 10 CFR 73.2(p) was not possible. Had the potential of a possible act of radiological sabotage been possible, this incident may have resulted in escalated enforcement action.

Areas examined during this inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Part 73, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 73.21(c)(2). This information must be handled and protected in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter, our report of the inspection,

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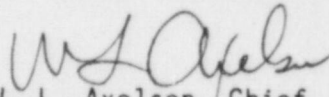
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and your response to the violation identified in the enclosure to this letter will not be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. Therefore, your statement of corrective action regarding the violation identified in the enclosure should be submitted as a separate enclosure to your transmittal letter in the manner prescribed.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,



W. L. Axelson, Chief
Nuclear Materials Safety
and Safeguards Branch


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
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2. Inspection Report
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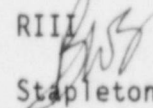
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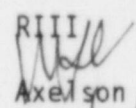
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