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Docket No. 50-461

Illinois Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. W. C. Gerstner  
Executive Vice President  
500 South 27th Street  
Decatur, IL 62525

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. H. A. Walker of this office on October 5-16, November 4-10, and November 16-20, 1987, of activities at Clinton Power Station authorized by Operating License No. NPF-62, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. W. C. Gerstner and others at the conclusion of the inspection. This inspection was conducted to evaluate implementation of your Quality Assurance Program in the area of maintenance.

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. Although none of the apparent violations had any actual affect on system performance, we are concerned about your approach to developing, following and changing maintenance procedures, investigating and correcting technical problems, and qualifying inspection personnel. Please consider our concerns in your response to the Notice of Violation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed By N. J. Chrissotimos (jot)

H. J. Miller, Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosures:

- 1. Notice of Violation
- 2. Inspection Report  
No. 50-461/87035(DRS)

cc w/enclosures:

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