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**Subject: Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station
Power Ascension Program**

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the discussions between Boston Edison and the NRC Staff on September 3, 1987, this letter transmits for information a description of the Power Ascension Program and associated Boston Edison processes for assessment of performance during power ascension. The Power Ascension Program is submitted for information and review. Three NRC approval points are submitted for NRC review and approval.

Boston Edison has determined that the description of the Power Ascension Program and associated Boston Edison process for assessment of performance during power ascension should be expanded beyond the level of detail contemplated in the Restart Plan Volume 1, Chapter IV and Volume 2, Appendix 13. Accordingly, Boston Edison will not submit Volume 2, Appendix 13 to the NRC, but is providing an expanded description of the Power Ascension Program and associated process for management assessment as an attachment to this letter.

The Power Ascension Program includes a description of the logic plan for power ascension, Boston Edison's assessment points, the proposed NRC approval points, the startup organization and the management assessment process. As the final phase of the Restart Plan, the Power Ascension Program is the mechanism by which Boston Edison will demonstrate the effectiveness of its programs, plans and actions to assure safe and reliable restart and continued operation.

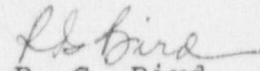
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Please contact me, or R.A. Ledgett of my staff, if you have questions or need additional information concerning the PNPS Power Ascension Program.


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Attachment

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