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Subject: Response to Request for Comments on "Nuclear Energy Institute; Receipt of Petition for Rulemaking"

- References: (1) Volume 65, Federal Register, Page 36647 (65 FR 36647), dated June 9, 2000
- (2) Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) letter, "Comments on Petition for Rulemaking, Docket No. PRM-72-5; Proposed Modifications to the NRC Process for Spent Fuel Storage Cask Certification," dated August 23, 2000

Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) Company appreciates the opportunity to comment on the petition for rulemaking, identified in Reference 1. This letter provides our comments in response to Reference 1. ComEd has been actively involved with the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) on this issue and fully endorses the industry comments submitted by the NEI in Reference 2. ComEd urges the NRC to proceed with rulemaking.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me at (630) 663-7330.

Respectfully,



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