

1                   BEFORE THE  
2                   ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

3 IN THE MATTER OF:                   )

4 COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY                   )                   No. 92-0026

5 Proposed general increase                   )  
6 in electric rates.                   )

7                   Chicago, Illinois

8                   Thursday, April 8, 1982

9 Met, pursuant to recess, at 10:00 a.m.

10 BEFORE:

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1 did you not, to identify items that required cost  
2 modification -- or, modifications to the budget as  
3 early in the process as you could; isn't that right?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Even though they might change a little  
6 later on, correct?

7 A. That's correct, yes.

8 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Bridenbaugh, your, I  
9 believe it's Schedule 1 to your testimony, is a  
10 resume of your professional experience.

11 In addition to your testimony here  
12 today, which isn't on the last page of that schedule,  
13 there should be one other professional engagement at  
14 least that's added, isn't that right? The affidavit  
15 you submitted on behalf of the Attorney General to  
16 block the startup of the LaSalle County station  
17 pending resolution of some structural engineering  
18 matters.

19 A. Well, I don't know that I would describe my  
20 affidavit as -- the same way that you have, Mr.  
21 Miller, but, no, I haven't -- there are other  
22 affidavits that I have written that are not on this

1 particular resume. I haven't generally put anything  
2 on my resume except documents that were formally  
3 presented in hearing. So I haven't included  
4 affidavits.

5 Q. I see.

6 A. But I did write an affidavit on LaSalle,  
7 yes.

8 Q. Right. And that was to ask the Nuclear  
9 Regulatory Commission to defer the beginning of fuel  
10 loading and low power testing for that unit; is that  
11 right?

12 A. Well, I guess I would have to go back and  
13 see exactly what the final line was in the affidavit.

14 What -- my view of that affidavit was  
15 not to defer the startup testing, but rather to get --  
16 to encourage the NRC to do an investigation of the  
17 structural review that had or had not been completed  
18 with regard to hole drilling and safety-related  
19 structures, and I wasn't particularly, at least when  
20 I wrote the affidavit, tying it to an operating  
21 license. I did say in the affidavit that such  
22 investigation should be performed before the plant

1 was made operational because of the problems in  
2 doing an investigation after the plant becomes  
3 radioactive.

4 Q. That doesn't happen until after the fuel is  
5 loaded; is that right?

6 A. That's correct, yes.

7 Q. Now, turning back to this testimony, Mr.  
8 Bridenbaugh, is it fair to say that the basic  
9 purpose of the testimony is really stated at Page 3,  
10 where you say that you've considered the magnitude  
11 of the cost and productivity impacts that plant  
12 modifications -- modification programs needed to  
13 maintain nuclear units in a licensable and operable  
14 condition may have?

15 MR. WILLIAMS: Where on that page are you  
16 referring to, Mr. Miller?

17 MR. MILLER: It's about a third of the way down.  
18 The lines aren't numbered. It's about 10 lines down.

19 Q. Have you found it?

20 A. Yes. That's correct. That is, I think,  
21 the essence of the testimony. Primarily I have  
22 attempted to look at past experience and identify



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