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Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director
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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: LaSalle County Station Units 1 and 2
Environmental Qualification of Safety-
Related Electrical Equipment in
Harsh Environments
NRC Docket Nos. 50-373/374

References (a): L. O. DelGeorge letter to H. R. Denton dated
October 23, 1981

(b): L. O. DelGeorge letter to A. Schwencer
Dated September 4, 1981

(c): L. O. DelGeorge letter to A. Schwencer dated
October 1, 1981

Dear Mr. Eisenhut:

References (a) and (b) advised the NRC Staff of the actions taken and planned by the Commonwealth Edison Company relative to the date for completion of the requalification program for the subject equipment. In these references, we stated that the requalification program was scheduled for completion by mid-1983.

A review of our ongoing qualification testing activities indicates that this mid-1983 completion date has been, for the most part, a sound test planning date. However, the initiation of actual hardware tests has not proceeded as originally anticipated during the first half of 1982, due primarily to the unavailability of test specimens and vendor's material traceability information. Additionally, the execution of actual tests may potentially result in equipment failures that necessitate further delays to obtain appropriate resolutions, such as replacements. Therefore, a more realistic projection for completion of qualification testing is now December 31, 1983.

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In our judgement, References (b) and (c) provided our assessment to justify the interim operation of LaSalle County Station during the first two (2) fuel cycles to accommodate our proposed schedule for final equipment qualification as stated above.

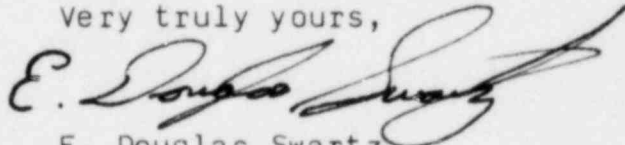
In accordance with the proposed rule 10 CFR 50.49 concerning the environmental qualification of electrical equipment, our schedule goal for completion of the required equipment replacements is consistent with the proposed implementation schedule, i.e. the end of the second refueling outage after March 31, 1982. However, if complications arise that impact our completion goal, such as procurement lead times, testing or installation problems, etc., the NRC Staff will be promptly notified along with the requisite request for deadline extension.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained herein are true and correct. In some respects these statements are not based upon my personal knowledge, but upon information furnished by other Commonwealth Edison employees. Such information has been reviewed in accordance with Company practice and I believe it to be reliable.

Please address any questions that you or your staff may have concerning this matter to this office.

One (1) signed original and thirty-nine (39) copies of this letter are provided for your use.

Very truly yours,



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