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Dr. Thomas E. Murley, Director
Office Of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Attn: Document Control Desk

Subject: Byron Station Units 1 and 2
Braidwood Station Units 1 and 2
Containment Leak Chase Channels
TAC Nos. 73569, 73570, 66476, 66477
NRC Docket Nos. 50-454/455 and 50-456/457

Reference: (a) May 17, 1990, S.P. Sands letter to
T.J. Kovach

Dear Dr. Murley:

Reference (a) provided the Safety Evaluation performed by the NRC concerning the conduct of containment integrated leak rate testing (CILRT).

The NRC staff found CECO's proposal reasonable and acceptable; however, requested that CECO commit to comply with 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, including a visual inspection of the accessible surfaces, venting plugs, accessible leak chase channels and dome area prior to each Type A CILRT.

Commonwealth Edison commits to the inspection requirements specified in the Safety Evaluation. Both Byron and Braidwood stations have included these requirements into their visual inspection of containment surfaces which are done prior to a type A leak test.

Please address any questions you may have concerning this matter to this office.

Very truly yours,

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