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Office of Inspection and Enforcement
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Attn: Mr. Richard DeYoung
Director

Subject: Cracked Containers - Lead-Acid
Storage Batteries - Byron and
Braidwood Stations - Commonwealth
Edison

Dear Mr. DeYoung:

During a recent visit by Mr. William Kelly and George T. Hubbard, the subject was discussed. Mr. Eric Weiss of NRC has also advised me of the subject problem at Byron and Braidwood Stations.

Attached report is the failure analysis and points out that the problem was caused during maintenance and not an inherent design problem as initially thought to be.

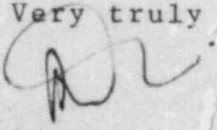
I hope that this report will be distributed to those utilities where the LRU's were sent.

I hope this meets your approval and provides a satisfactory answer to NRC's concerns regarding the subject.

We would appreciate receiving a copy of your transmittal to the utilities regarding the subject. We are informing Commonwealth Edison of our findings.

If you need any further clarification, please do not hesitate to call me.

Very truly yours,


Ramesh H. Deraf
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