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Commonwealth Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. Cordell Reed
Senior Vice President
Opus West III
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Downers Grove, IL 60515

Dear Mr. Reed:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. S. G. Du Pont, J. R. Roton, and G. M. Hausman of this office on October 13 through November 30, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Braidwood facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation. The violations are of concern because:

- a. They represent a lack of attention to detail and understanding of procedural adherence.
- b. They identify a weakness in your sensitivity to and understanding of the need to adequately assess and control evolutions which may have safety significance.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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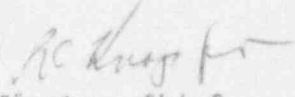
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The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,


Brent Clayton, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 1


Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report
 No. 50-456/92023(DRP);
 No. 50-457/92023(DRP)

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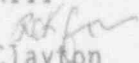
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