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Docket No.: STN 50-454

Mr. Dennis L. Farrar
Director of Nuclear Licensing
Commonwealth Edison Company
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Dear Mr. Farrar:

Subject: Relief Request Safety Injection System Class 2 Welds - Byron
Station, Unit 1

By letter dated August 29, 1985, you requested emergency relief from Section XI of the ASME Code concerning certain preservice inspection requirements. By letter dated August 30, 1985, we granted until 9:00 p.m. on September 3, 1985, a temporary waiver of compliance with the ASME Code preservice inspection requirements.

Your August 31, 1985 letter requested permission to defer the aforementioned preservice inspections until the first outage of at least 10 days duration. Enclosed is our safety evaluation which concludes that the relief you have requested is granted until the first outage of at least 10 days duration.

As indicated to representatives of Commonwealth Edison Company in a telephone call at 6:00 p.m. on September 3, 1985 with Mr. Thomas Novak and other NRC personnel, the Staff has concluded that your failure to conduct a preservice volumetric and surface examination of two welds in the safety injection system is not subject to Technical Specifications 3.4.10(b), 4.4.10 and 4.0.5 since they pertain to inservice inspection. Accordingly, the action statement of Technical Specification 3.4.10(b) is not applicable. This failure with respect to the Preservice Inspection Program will be the subject of separate correspondence from our Region III office.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Darrell G. Eisenhut

Harold R. Denton, Director

Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Enclosure: As stated

cc: See next page

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Local PDR

PRC System

NSIC

LB#1 R/F

MRushbrook

LOlshan

OELD

ACRS (16)

JPartlow

BGrimes

EJordan

Denton/Eisenhut

JKnight

* SEE PREVIOUS CONCURRENCE

LB#1/DL

LOlshan/mac

9/6/85

LB#1/DL

BJYoungblood

9/6/85

OELD

*SHLewis

09/05/85

AD/DL

TNovak

9/9/85

D/DL

HThompson

9/11/85

D/NRB

Horton

9/20/85

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9/10/85

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