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January 29, 1986

Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

Subject: LaSalle County Station
April 16, 1986 Emergency Plan Exercise
Request to Exempt Grundy County from
Participating in the Exercise
NRC Dockets 50-373/374

Dear Mr. Denton:

Commonwealth Edison has scheduled an Emergency Plan Exercise for LaSalle County Station on April 16, 1986. It has come to our attention that Grundy County has requested the Illinois Emergency Services and Disaster Agency to contact FEMA to request that the county organization be exempted from participation in the drill. It has also come to our attention that no corresponding request has been made of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; therefore, we are requesting that you review this matter.

We believe that circumstances exist which meet the requirements for granting an exemption from Part 50 Appendix E F3 under 10 CFR 50.12. These circumstances exist because three Commonwealth Edison nuclear plants are located in proximity to Grundy County; they are Braidwood, Dresden and LaSalle County Stations. Last year Grundy County participated in the April 23, 1985 Dresden exercise and the November 6, 1985 Braidwood exercise. Their performance in these drills demonstrate their capability to adequately respond to an accident at a nuclear power plant. This showing bears on meeting the requirement of "will not present an undue risk to the public health and safety". It also demonstrates that "application of the regulation in the particular circumstance would not serve the underlying purpose of the rule or is not necessary to achieve the underlying purpose of the rule"

Attached for your information are copies of correspondence between Grundy County, ESDA, and FEMA.

Please contact this office if you or your staff need any additional information on this matter.

Commonwealth Edison check number 0013763 in the amount of \$150.00, for the exemption request application fee, was mailed on January 28, 1986 under separate cover.

Sincerely,

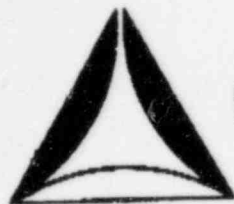
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December 11, 1985

Mr. Robert Connor
Acting Director
Region V, Federal Emergency
Management Agency
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Dear Mr. Connor: *Bob*

Attached is a letter from Mr. Jim Lutz, Grundy County ESDA Coordinator, requesting that Grundy County be exempted from participation in the 1986 LaSalle County Station exercise. As Mr. Lutz indicated, Grundy County participation in the 1985 Dresden and Braidwood exercises was taxing on both personnel and resources. In both of these exercises, Grundy County officials have more than adequately proven their ability to protect the health and safety of the Grundy County citizens.

For these reasons, we request that Grundy County be exempted from full participation in the upcoming LaSalle exercise and be allowed to participate at a much reduced level.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Jana Fairrow at 815/942-8279.

Sincerely,

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Charles D. Jones
Director

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cc: Terry Lash, IDNS
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November 15, 1985

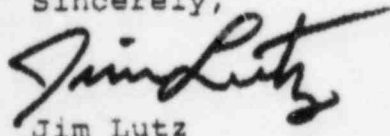
Dear Mr. Jones,

Grundy County has been informed that in April of 1986 there is a scheduled emergency plan exercise for the LaSalle Nuclear Power Plant. The exercises of the past year and a half have taken their toll on Grundy County officials and my department.

At the direction of the Emergency Services Committee of the Grundy County Board I would ask that State ESDA take whatever steps are necessary to exempt Grundy County from the planned LaSalle IPRA exercise.

I will be awaiting your reply.

Sincerely,



Jim Lutz

cc: Tom Zimmerman
Jana Fairow ✓
Don Prindle
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