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Docket No. 50-461

Illinois Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. W. C. Gerstner  
Executive Vice President  
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Gentlemen:

Enclosed for your review prior to our scheduled meeting on December 12, 1985, is the SALP 5 Board Report for the Clinton Power Station covering the period March 1, 1984, through August 31, 1985.

Your regulatory performance at the Clinton Power Station was considered to be acceptable during this assessment period. Your performance was rated Category 1 in three areas (Containment and Other Safety-Related Structures, Piping Systems and Supports, and Licensing Activities). Your performance remained Category 2 in the other eleven areas. None of the functional areas received a Category 3 performance rating. Your performance showed an improving trend during the assessment period in five functional areas (Containment and Other Safety-Related Structures, Piping Systems and Supports, Support Systems, Security, and Licensing Activities). Your performance did not decline in any functional area.

During the assessment period, your emphasis has shifted from construction to preoperational testing and operational readiness. We have recognized increased management attention to these activities. The Board believes that additional management attention is warranted in the functional areas of Radiological Controls, Preoperational Testing, and Security in preparation to receive a license for loading fuel. Continued management attention should also be given to the followup of allegations.

The Board identified a perception by NRC inspectors that many initial licensee responses and submittals contained inadequacies, errors, or omissions, for example: requests to terminate the Overinspection Program; review and analysis of vendor reportable defects; and responses to Notices of Violations, Inspection and Enforcement Bulletins, and other inspector identified open items. Additional management attention to this perception is warranted.

While you will have sufficient opportunity to present your comments at the meeting on December 12, 1985, you may also make written comments within 30 days after the meeting. We will evaluate any written comments and provide you with our conclusions relative to them.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the SALP Report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning the SALP Report, we would be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
James G. Keppler

James G. Keppler  
Regional Administrator

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