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Washington, D.C. 20555-0001  
Attention: Document Control Desk

Subject: Braidwood Generating Station Unit 1 and Unit 2  
Revision to Commitment on Technical Specification Surveillances'  
Quarterly Analog Channel Tests of Instrument Channels in the Reactor  
Protection System (RPS) and the Engineered Safety Feature Actuation  
System (ESFAS)  
NRC Docket No. 50-456 and No. 50-457

- References:
1. A. D. Miosi letter to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, dated September 25, 1986, Same Subject In Part
  2. Nuclear Regulatory Commission letter to the Westinghouse Owners Group, dated February 22, 1989, transmitting the Safety Evaluation Report on Westinghouse Topical Reports WCAP-10271, Supplement 2, and WCAP-10271, Supplement 2, Revision 1, "Evaluation of Surveillance Frequencies and out of Service Times for the Engineered Safety Features Actuation System (ESFAS)"
  3. Nuclear Regulatory Commission letter to Commonwealth Edison Company, dated December 16, 1993, transmitting Amendment No. 44 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-72 and Amendment No. 44 to Facility Operating License No. NPF-77 for the Braidwood Station, Unit No. 1 and Unit No. 2, respectively

Reference 1 made the commitment to restrict quarterly analog channel operational test surveillances on redundant channels of the RPS on the same day by the same instrument mechanics using the same instruments. This was done to support revising the analog channel tests for the ESFAS instrument channels from monthly to quarterly surveillance intervals.

Reference 2 concluded that a staggered test strategy was not necessary for the ESFAS analog channel testing and was no longer required for the RPS analog channel testing. Finally, Reference 3 approved changing to quarterly intervals all except one of the monthly surveillance frequencies for the ESFAS analog channel tests.

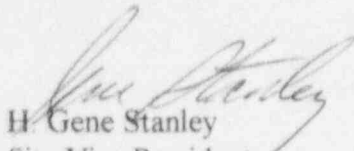
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Based on Reference 2 and Reference 3, the Braidwood staff finds the Reference 1 commitment no longer necessary. Therefore, we will revert to not restricting testing on redundant RPS/ESFAS channels on the same day by the same instrument mechanics using the same instruments.

If you have any question about this, please call T. Simpkin, Regulatory Assurance Supervisor.

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