

# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Docket No. 50-255

Mr. Kenneth W. Berry Director, Nuclear Licensing Consumers Power Company 1945 West Parnall Road Jackson, Michigan 49201

Dear Mr. Berry:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT NO.114 TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-20:

BYPRODUCT, SOURCE AND SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL (TAC NO. 65522)

The Commission has issued the enclosed Amendment No. 114 to Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 for the Palisades Plant. This amendment consists of changes to the license in response to your application dated May 26, 1987.

This amendment revises the license requirements for the receipt, possession and use of byproduct, source and special nuclear material in accordance with the format and content used by the Commission for current licenses. This standard, generalized format has been used for all licenses since 1974.

We find that your radiation safety program is intended to provide for the safe storage and handling of radioactive sources and ensures protection against undue exposure while handling them. The program also limits use or handling of these sources to experienced, qualified personnel. On the basis of your radiation safety program, previous reviews, and on-site inspections by the Resident Inspector and NRC Regional inspectors, we conclude that Palisades has an adequate Health Physics organization and radiation program, and that personnel are adequately trained to handle radioactive sources. We therefore conclude that the criteria of Regulatory Guide 1.70 are met and the requirements of 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, and 70 concerning the licensing of byproduct, source and special nuclear materials are satisfied. This action is solely an administrative change to the license, in that no changes to the existing radiation protection program are required.

The amendment involves a change in a requirement related to the installation or use of a facility component located within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. We have determined that the amendment involves no significant increase in the amounts, and no significant change in the types of any effluents that may be released offsite, and that there is no significant increase in individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. The Commission has previously issued a proposed finding that this amendment involves no significant hazards consideration and there has been no public comment on such finding. Accordingly, the amendment meets the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(9). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b), no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of the amendment.

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We also conclude, based on the considerations discussed above, that (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, and (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and the issuance of the amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

The notice of issuance will be included in the Commission's biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

original signed by/

Thomas V. Wambach, Project Manager Project Directorate III-1 Division of Reactor Projects - III, IV, V & Special Projects

Enclosures: Amendment No. 114 to License No. DPR-20

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#### CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY

#### PALISADES PLANT

DOCKET NO. 50-255

#### AMENDMENT TO PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 114 License No. DPR-20

- 1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment by Consumers Power Company (the licensee) dated May 26, 1987, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public; and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

- Accordingly, Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 is hereby amended as follows:\*
  - A. Replace Paragraphs 2.B. and 2.C. with revised Paragraphs 2.B., 2.C. and 2.D. to read:
  - 2.B. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Part 70, to receive, possess and use at any time special nuclear material as reactor fuel, in accordance with the limitations for storage and amounts required for operation, as described in the Final Safety Analysis Report, as supplemented and amended;
  - 2.C. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70 to receive, possess, and use at any time any byproduct, source and special nuclear material as sealed neutron sources for reactor startup, sealed sources for reactor instrumentation and radiation monitoring equipment calibration, and as fission detectors in amounts as required;
  - 2.D. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40, and 70, to receive, possess and use in amounts as required any byproduct, source or special nuclear material without restriction to chemical or physical form, for sample analysis or instrument calibration or associated with radioactive apparatus or components;
  - B. Redesignate existing Paragraph 2.D. as 2.E.
- 3. This license amendment is effective as of the date of its issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Martin J. Virgilio, Director Project Directorate III-1

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Attachment: Pages 2 and 3 of the license

Date of Issuance: August 25, 1988

<sup>\*</sup> Pages 2 and 3 are attached, for convenience, for the composite license to reflect this change.

- f. The issuance of this amended license will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.
- g. In accordance with the requirements of Appendix D to 10 CFR Part 50, the operating license should be issued subject to conditions for protection of the environment set forth in the Technical Specifications incorporated herein.

Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20, issued to the licensee for operation of the facility, on September 1, 1972, is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

- 1. Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 applies to the Palisades Plant, a pressurized, light water moderated and cooled reactor, and electric generating equipment (the facility). The facility is located in Covert Township on the Consumers Power site in Van Buren County, Michigan, and is described in the "Final Safety Analysis Report," as supplemented and amended.
- 2. Subject to the conditions and requirements incorporated herein the Commission hereby licenses Consumers Power Company (the licensee):
  - A. Pursuant to Section 104b of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and 10 CFR Part 50, "Licensing of Production and Utilization Facilities," to possess, use and operate the facility as a utilization facility at the designated location;
  - B. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Part 70, to receive, possess and use at any time special nuclear material as reactor fuel, in accordance with the limitations for storage and amounts required for operation, as described in the Final Safety Analysis Report, as supplemented and amended;
  - C. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70 to receive, possess, and use at any time byproduct, source and special nuclear material as sealed neutron sources for reactor startup, sealed sources for reactor instrumentation and radiation monitoring equipment calibration, and as fission detectors in amounts as required;
  - D. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 and 70, to receive, possess and use in amounts as required any byproduct, source or special nuclear material without restriction to chemical or physical form, for sample analysis or instrument calibration or associated with radioactive apparatus or components;

- E. Pursuant to the Act and 10 CFR Parts 30 and 70, to possess, but not separate, such byproduct and special nuclear material as may be produced by the operation of the facility.
- 3. This license shall be deemed to contain and is subject to the conditions specified in the following Commission regulations: 10 CFR Part 20, Section 30.34 of 10 CFR Part 30, Section 40.41 of 10 CFR Part 40, Sections 50.54 and 50.59 of 10 CFR Part 50 and Section 70.32 of 10 CFR Part 70; and is subject to all applicable provisions of the Act and to the rules, regulations and orders of the Commission now or hereafter in effect; and is subject to the additional conditions specified below:

#### A. Maximum Power Levels

The licensee is authorized to operate the facility at steady-state reactor core power levels not in excess of 2530 megawatts thermal (100% of the rated power level of the facility).

## B. <u>Technical Specifications</u>

The Technical Specification contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 113, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

# C. Reports

The licensee shall make certain reports in accordance with the requirements of the Technical Specifications and the Interim Special Technical Specifications.

## D. Records

The licensee shall keep facility operating records in accordance with the requirements of the Technical Specifications.