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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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**DOCKET 50-255 - LICENSE DPR-20 - PALISADES NUCLEAR PLANT
NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT
VIOLATION REPORT - NOVEMBER 1, 2001 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2002**

By letter dated April 17, 1985, Consumers Power Company (then licensee) stated that compliance with sections 3.2 and 5.4.2 of Appendix B of the Palisades Facility Operating License would be accomplished by submitting all National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit violations and reports of oil, salt or polluting material loss to the NRC on a semi-annual basis within 30 days from April 30 and October 31.

During the semi-annual reporting period from November 1, 2001, through April 30, 2002, there were no NPDES permit violations. There was one report of polluting material loss made to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality on February 12, 2002. No adverse impact to the environment occurred. A copy of the report is attached.

SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS

This letter contains no new commitments and revises one existing commitment. The existing commitment states:

Consumers Power Company will comply with section 3.2 and 5.4.2 of Appendix B of the Palisades Facility Operating License by submitting all NPDES permit violations and Reports of Oil, Salt or Polluting Material Loss on a semi-annual basis within 30 days from April 30 and October 31.

This commitment has been revised in accordance with NEI 99-04, "Guidelines for Managing NRC Commitment Changes." NPDES permit violations and Reports of Oil,

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Salt or Polluting Material Loss will now be submitted as they occur, in accordance with Sections 3.2 and 5.4.2 of Appendix B of the Palisades Facility Operating License. The reports will no longer be submitted on a semi-annual basis.



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Attachment

ATTACHMENT
REPORT OF OIL, SALT OR POLLUTING MATERIAL LOSSES
May 2002

2 pages follow

AGENCY TELECON RECORD*

**SEND TO: MLMaddalena
E&LS
P-22-508**

Prepared by: ERIC DEHN

Facility: PALISADES

Date/Time: 2-12-02/1045

Call Initiated by: (check one)

Consumers

Agency

I. Environmental Agency Representative(s):

Name: PEAS OPERATOR 30

Agency: MDEQ

Title: OPERATOR

Phone No: 1-800-292-4706

Mailing Address:

Facility Representative Contacted: N/A

II. Purpose of Call: REPORTED THE RELEASE OF 300 GALLONS OF LIQUEFIED SEWAGE(FREE OF VISILBLE SOLIDS) TO STORM DRAIN SW-4. THE WATER WAS IMMEDIATELY ABSORBED INTO THE BEACH SAND AT THE OUTFALL OF THE DRAIN. RELEASE DID NOT REACH LAKE MICHIGAN. A FAILURE OF THE SEPTIC LIFT STATION WAS CAUSE OF THE RELEASE. THE WATER TO THE LIFT STATION WAS IMMEDIATELY SECURED AND A SEPTIC HAULER WAS CONTACTED TO PUMP OUT THE LIFT STATION.

III. Action or Information Provided by Facility Representative: SEE ABOVE

IV. Open Requests for Action or Information: WRITTEN REPORT

V. No further Agency Contact Required: NONE

Reason: EVEN THOUGH NOT REQUIRED, JOHN VOLLMER, KALAMAZOO DISTRICT, WAS CONTACTED AS CURTEOUSY REGARDING THE RELEASE. (616) 567-3576

*Retention period is at least three (3) years, except keep any air quality records at least five (5) years.

CONSUMERS ENERGY REPORT OF OIL, SALT OR POLLUTING MATERIAL LOSSES

Michigan's Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, requires that all owners, managers or operators of vessels, oil storage or on land facilities shall notify the Department of Environmental Quality of oil, salt and polluting material losses. Notification shall be made promptly by telephone and by mail, giving a detailed written account of the release particulars.

ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED

Date Form Filled Out: 2-12-02 Field Manager: n/a		Filled Out by: Eric Dehn Phone No: 616-764-2464	
Location of Loss (Give Complete Address/City/Township/General Location) Palisades Nuclear Plant, 27780 Blue Star Memorial Hwy. Covert, MI 49043		NOTE: CITY OR TWP MUST BE INCLUDED	County: Van Buren
Material Spilled/Released (Mineral Oil, Hydraulic Fluid, etc) Liquified Sewage		Approx Amount Released 300 gallons	Name of Surface water involved or None
PCB Concentration = n/a ppm Oil Sample Sent to Lab Yes No	Determined by: Field test Unit marked	Date and Time of Discovery of Release 2-12-02 0900hrs	
Agency Contacted	Name of Operator No/Incident No	Date/Time Agency Contacted	
MDEQ/PEAS	30	2-12-02 1045 AM PM	
NRC	/	AM PM	
LEPC	/	AM PM	
Other	/	AM PM	
NONE (Informational Report Only)		Agency Contacted By: Eric Dehn	
Cause of Loss (What caused the release: Car Accident/Wind Storm/Lightning – Identify equipment involved; ie, OH Transformer/OCB/Bucket Truck) Septic Lift Station Pump Failure			
Nature of Loss (Include complete description of damage to the environment): Liquified Sewage (free of visible solids) overflowed to storm drain (SW-4) which drained to the beach. The liquid was immediately absorbed by the sand on the beach and there were no visible signs that it reached Lake Michigan.			
Spill Response (Describe how spill was cleaned up): Water flow to the lift station was immediately isolated and a Licensed septic hauler was called to pump out the lift station.		Cleaned up by Consumers Cleaned up by Contractor Contractor Name: Burrows Sanitation Volume of Clean-up: Only the lift station could be pumped.	
Other Comments: The spill did not cause any impact to the environment or to the public due to the time of year this occurred, and that the area is within a current security enforcement zone.			

Send completed form to: **R A Rogers, P-24-511** within **5** days of discovery
And Copy to Designated Coordinator

MDEQ/PEAS 24-HOUR EMERGENCY NUMBER 1-800-292-4706

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