

March 11, 2005

Mr. K. M. Haas
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Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant
Consumers Energy Company
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SUBJECT: UPDATED BIG ROCK POINT NUCLEAR PLANT FISCAL YEAR 2005 MASTER INSPECTION PLAN

Dear Mr. Haas:

On October 29, 2004, the NRC Region III issued a Master Inspection Plan (MIP) for Big Rock Point for NRC's fiscal year (FY) 2005, October 2004 through September 2005. The MIP was issued in accordance with NRC Manual Chapter 2561, "Decommissioning Power Reactor Inspection Program," and was based on your performance at that time and the schedule of significant decommissioning activities planned for the site for FY2005. The MIP outlined the focus of our Regional inspection resources to address significant ongoing decommissioning activities that we were aware of at the time the MIP was issued. To maintain our inspection plans current, we are issuing the updated MIP to reflect our planned inspection activities for the period of March through September 2005.

The following is an outline of the revised FY2005 MIP, including the applicable inspection procedures. Additional inspection procedures may be used or additional inspections conducted if decommissioning activities warrant. The inspection procedures listed below are accessible from the NRC Website at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/insp-manual/inspection-procedure/index.html>.

<u>Frequency</u>	<u>Inspection Procedure #</u>	<u>Inspection Procedure Title</u>
Quarterly	71801	Decommissioning Performance and Status Review
	62801	Maintenance and Surveillance
	83750	Occupational Radiation Exposure
	36801	Organization, Management and Cost Controls
	86750	Solid Radioactive Waste Management and Transportation of Radioactive Materials
Semi-Annual	40801	Self-Assessment, Auditing, and Corrective Action
	84750	Radioactive Waste Treatment, and Effluent and Environmental Monitoring
As Required	37801	Safety Reviews, Design Changes, and Modifications
	83801	Inspection of Final Surveys

Because the MIP is based, in part, on your proposed schedule of significant decommissioning activities for the remainder of FY2005, the plan and the focus of NRC inspection activities may change to reflect any changes in your planned decommissioning activities or your performance. In order to ensure that the FY2005 MIP remains current, we request that you keep the Decommissioning Branch staff informed of any significant changes in your proposed schedule of decommissioning activities. Mr. William Snell, of my staff, remains the lead for our inspection activities at Big Rock Point. Mr. Snell can be reached at (630) 829-9871.

In addition, we intend to document the results of our inspection activities in inspection reports that are issued on a quarterly basis. Within each quarterly period, the number of announced, onsite inspections may vary, depending on the status and scope of your decommissioning activities.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). The NRC's document system is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

We will gladly discuss any questions you may have regarding these inspection plans. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mr. Snell, or me at (630) 829-9833.

Sincerely,
/RA/
James L. Cameron, Chief
Decommissioning Branch

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