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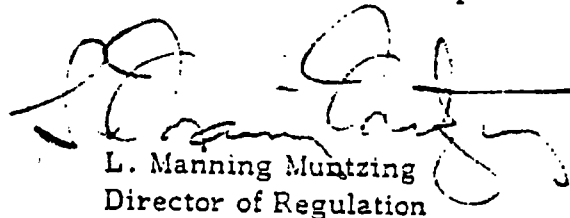
RE: QUALITY ASSURANCE DEFICIENCIES ENCOUNTERED AT
MIDLAND FACILITY

Gentlemen:

This is in response to your memorandum on this subject dated November 26, 1973. We are also concerned as to quality assurance implementation at the Midland facility. It was for this reason that we initiated the action which led to the shutdown of cadwelding at that facility by Consumers Power Company. As a practical matter, the shutdown of cadwelding at this site severely limits Class I construction at the site in that cadwelding must be completed before additional Class I structural work can proceed.

A reinspection of November 20-21, 1973, revealed that that which the licensee believed to be sufficient with regard to cadwelding procedures still was inadequate. This raised doubts about the licensee's overall implementation of its quality assurance program.

We are today issuing to this licensee an order confirming the continuing suspension of the cadwelding and ordering the licensee to show cause why all activities under the construction permits should not be suspended.


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