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Docket No. 50-255

Consumers Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. R. B. Dewitt  
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. J. F. Streeter, P. R. Wohld, B. L. Jorgenson and J. K. Heller of our office on July 29 and August 19-20, 1980, regarding the incorrect position of containment sump isolation valve CV-3030 on July 28, 1980, and the misoperation of the SIRW tank isolation valve CV-3031 on August 19, 1980, experienced at the Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant. The report setting forth the results of the inspection, is enclosed.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room, except as follows. If this report contains information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in an enclosure to the application.

A separate letter setting forth certain matters of concern and the items of noncompliance found during this inspection has been sent from the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement. Your response to those items should be made directly to that office.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

James G. Keppler  
Director

Enclosure: IE Inspection  
Report No. 50-255/80-12

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