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Docket No. 50-255

Consumers Power Company ATTN: Dr. F. W. Buckman Vice President Nuclear Operations 212 West Michigan Avenue Jackson, MI 49201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. E. R. Swanson and Miss C. D. Anderson of this office during the period of March 4 through April 15, 1986, of activities at the Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. G. Lewis and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Notice. The inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified violation and to prevent recurrence. Our understanding of your corrective actions is described in Section 5 of the enclosed inspection report. Consequently, no reply to the violation is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

CRIGINAL SIGNED BY W. G. GULDEMOND

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Enclosures:

Notice of Violation
 Inspection Report
 No. 50-255/86010(DRP)

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