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MEMORANDUM FOR: Charles E. Norelius, Director Division of Reactor Projects Region III

FROM:

Ashok C. Thadani, Director PWR Project Directorate #8 Division of PWR Licensing-B

SUBJECT:

PALISADES PLANT - EXEMPTION REQUEST FROM 10 CFR 50 APPENDIX J, SECTION III.A.6.(b)

By application dated August 22, 1986, Consumers Power Company (CPCo) requested exemption from the CILRT retest schedule requirements of the subject section of Appendix J. In support of this request, CPCo proposed a Local Leak Rate Testing Corrective Action Plan, as recommended by IE Information Notice 85-71 dated August 22, 1985. This Plan is included as Attachment 2 to the application. As discussed with Bruce Burgess of your staff, we request that Region III review the Corrective Action Plan and provide us with an SE which would form the technical basis for an exemption until the time at which the next CILRT is required by Section III.D of Appendix J. We have set a target date of December 31, 1986 for the SE input to us to ensure meeting the retest schedule, September 1987, if the request cannot be granted. A copy of the application and the TAC are enclosed.

> Ashok C. Thadani, Director PWR Project Directorate #8 Division of PWR Licensing-B

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Attachments

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