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Docket No. 50-255

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Consumers Power Company ATTN: Gerald B. Slade General Manager Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant 27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway Covert, MI 49043

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letters dated February 4 and April 9, 1991, in response to our December 27, 1990, letter concerning allegations of contractor failure to properly use procedures (review and sign off practices) due to supervisory instructions to the contrary, and contractor employee unwillingness to raise issues to their management due to fear of reprisal. These practices were alleged to be occurring at the Palisades plant (Allegation RIII-90-A-133).

In our letter, we requested that you investigate these matters and submit the results of your investigation to the NRC. Your response indicated that you found no evidence to support the allegations. Through our review and onsite inspection, we found your investigation to be sufficient to support your conclusions and have no additional questions regarding this matter. We request that you retain the supporting documentation for your investigation of this allegation for a minimum of one year from the date of this letter.

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

Your cooperation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Edward G. Greenman, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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