

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Consumers Power Company
Palisades Plant

Docket No. 50-255
License No. DPR-20

During an NRC inspection conducted from May 14 through July 1, 1991, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1991), the violation is listed below.

10 CFR 50, part 73.a.2.iv requires that any event or condition that resulted in manual or automatic actuation of any Engineered Safety Feature (ESF) shall be reported by the licensee as a Licensee Event Report (LER).

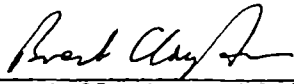
10 CFR 50, part 73.d requires that LERs be submitted to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission as specified in 10 CFR 50, part 4, within 30 days of discovery of a reportable event or situation.

Contrary to the above, an LER was not submitted within the prescribed 30 day period (by March 26) for a February 24, 1991, automatic ESF actuation -- an unplanned auto-start of the 1-2 diesel generator. The auto-start occurred when low voltage was sensed on the "C" safeguards bus during the integrated performance of Q0-21, "Auxiliary Feedwater System Valves, Inservice Test Procedure," and T-297, "Diesel Generator 1-1 Load Reject."

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Consumers Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Glen Ellyn, Illinois
this 12th day of July, 1991



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