August 31, 1992

Docket No. 50-255

Mr. Gerald B. Slade Plant General Manager Palisades Plant Consumers Power Company 27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway Covert, Michigan 49043

Dear Mr. Slade:

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC BULLETIN 92-01, "FAILURE OF THERMO-LAG 330 FIRE BARRIER SYSTEM" PALISADES PLANT (TAC NO. M83907)

By letter dated July 28, 1992, your provided a response to NRC Bulletin 92-01 for Palisades Plant. Your response stated that compensatory measures in the form of hourly fire tours have been implemented consistent with the Technical Specifications. You also stated that CPCo has initiated measures to ensure or restore fire barrier operability by undertaking a thorough evaluation of the installation of Thermo-Lag 330 used as fire barriers at Palisades. This evaluation is being directed toward assuring fire barrier integrity and operability, and will utilize industry experience and NUMARC guidelines as appropriate for Palisades.

We have reviewed your response and find it acceptable. Please inform us when all corrective actions have been completed. Further NRC review, other than development and implementation of corrective action, will be performed by inspection or audit.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

Armando Masciantonio, Project Manager Project Directorate III-1 Division of Reactor Projects III/IV/V Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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