

April 17, 1995

Mr. Kurt M. Haas
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SUBJECT: PALISADES - RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING
USE OF THERMO-LAG 330-1 (TAC NO. M85582)

Dear Mr. Haas:

By letter dated January 24, 1995, Consumers Power Company (CPC) responded to our December 29, 1994, request for additional information regarding the use of Thermo-Lag 330-1 at the Palisades plant. Your response stated that CPC will remove all Thermo-Lag in the next two refueling outages currently scheduled for 1995 and 1997.

The NRC staff has reviewed CPC's January 24, 1995, response. Based on our review, we have determined that except for an assessment of the ampacity impact of the previously installed Thermo-Lag material on cable life of safety-related circuits, the information requested in Generic Letter 92-08, "Thermo-Lag 330-1 Fire Barriers," has been provided and our actions tracked by TAC No. M85582 are complete. Please advise us, in writing, when the modifications described in CPC's January 24, 1995, letter have been implemented. This request for confirmation is covered in Generic Letter 92-08 dated December 17, 1992.

CPC should retain all documentation related to the resolution of the concerns with Thermo-Lag fire barrier systems for future NRC audits or inspections. This documentation should include an evaluation of the ampacity impact of Thermo-Lag material on cable life for previous operation of safety-related circuits.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (301) 415-3024.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

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