

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Consumers Power Company
Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant

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

During an NRC inspection conducted on December 7, 1995, through January 26, 1996, violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violations are listed below:

1. 10 CFR 50 Appendix B, Criterion XVI, states, in part, that measures shall be established to assure that conditions adverse to quality, such as failures, malfunctions, deficiencies, deviations, defective material and equipment, and nonconformances are promptly identified and corrected.

Contrary to the above, adequate freeze protection was not provided to LIA-2022, condensate storage tank level indicator, following cold weather freezing on February 11, 1995, until a second occurrence of cold weather freezing on December 9, 1995.

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

2. 10 CFR 50 Appendix B, Criterion V, states, in part, that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions, procedures, or drawings, of a type appropriate to the circumstances and shall be accomplished in accordance with these instructions, procedures, or drawings.

General Operating Procedure (GOP-9), Plant Cooldown from Hot Standby/Shutdown, step 4.4, states "WHEN PCS is less than 210° F (i.e. Cold Shutdown) THEN initiate work order to disable Safety Injection actuation circuits (refer to SOP 3, Step 7.7.1)."

System Operating Procedure (SOP-3), Safety Injection and Shutdown Cooling System), step 7.7.1, states that the safety injection actuation circuits shall only be disabled when the reactor is in cold or refueling shutdown.

Contrary to the above, on January 18, 1996, the low pressurizer pressure function of the safety injection system was deenergized with the primary coolant system above cold shutdown conditions.

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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. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information 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.

Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois this
6th day of February 1996