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Mr. T. Palmisano, General Manager
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27780 Blue Star Memorial Highway
Covert, MI 49043-9530

SUBJECT: INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-255/96002

Dear Mr. Palmisano:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted on January 27 through March 17, 1996, at the Palisades Nuclear Generating Facility. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel. This report represents an integrated product of a number of inspections conducted during the inspection period. The summary contained in the report provides an overview of our assessment of your performance in the functional areas inspected.

Based on the results of the close-out inspection of Generic Letter (GL) 89-10, we have determined that your motor-operated valve (MOV) program implementation at Palisades was acceptable, and meets the intent of Generic Letter 89-10. Program documentation and test data provided an adequate basis to conclude that all GL 89-10 program MOVs would perform their intended safety functions under worst-case design-basis conditions. Accordingly, we are closing the NRC review of your program.

Management oversight of the GL 89-10 program since the Part 2 inspection was effective. Notable improvements included the formation of a core MOV team to technically strengthen the program, complete the testing, and achieve program closure. Technical self-assessments were effectively utilized and provided critical feedback to strengthen the program.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

/s/I. N. Jackiw for

W. J. Kropp, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 3

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