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Director, Nuclear Reactor Regulation
Att: Mr Dennis L Ziemann, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch No 2
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555

DOCKET 50-155 - LICENSE DPR-6 -
BIG ROCK POINT PLANT - CONTAINMENT
PURGING AND VENTING DURING NORMAL
OPERATION

By letter dated October 23, 1979, from Dennis L Ziemann to David A Bixel, Consumers Power Company was requested to respond to NRC concerns covering Big Rock Point operation with open purge and vent valves during normal operation. As an attachment to the above letter, the NRC provided their Interim Position for Containment Purge and Vent Valve Operation Pending Resolution of Isolation Valve Operability.

Consumers Power Company is currently involved in an analysis being conducted by Allis-Chalmers to determine the operability of these valves. At this time, preliminary data from Allis-Chalmers is inconclusive. Consumers Power Company is actively pursuing all available means to address the concerns raised in the NRC letter. Our response is necessarily delayed pending receipt of further information from Allis-Chalmers. Our response will be submitted by December 21, 1979.

David P Hoffman (Signed)

David P Hoffman
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