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Consumers Power Company
 ATTN: Mr. Stephen H. Howell
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Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated December 10, 1976, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55(e) regarding a deficiency in the design of component cooling water pump casings. We are looking forward to receipt of your final report on this matter.

We would like to call to your attention 10 CFR 50.55(e)(3) which was recently revised. Reports of significant deficiencies are to be sent to the appropriate NRC Regional Office with a copy sent to the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,



R. F. Heishman, Chief
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