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Carol Gilbert
1326 Cherry
Saginaw, Michigan 48601

Dear Ms Gilbert:

Your October 18, 1978 note to Mr. Davis has been brought to my attention. You requested information concerning licensing schedules for the Midland Nuclear Plant, reports of building settlement at the site and a list of people who have sought to intervene in forthcoming licensing proceedings.

The Applicant, Consumers Power Company, estimates that the earliest and latest completion dates for the Midland Plant, Unit 2 to be October 1, 1980 and October 1, 1981. The corresponding estimates for Unit 1 are October 1, 1981 and October 1, 1982. As described in the attached meeting summary dated March 27, 1977, the NRC Staff reviewed these estimates with the Applicant and found the estimates to be achievable. Construction completion is accompanied by fuel loading activities and will be followed by a series of preoperational and startup tests. Commercial operation is expected, at the earliest, in March 1981 for Unit 2 and March 1982 for Unit 1.

The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board assigned to review and rule on intervention petitions has provisionally granted the intervention petitions of Mary Sinclair of Midland, Michigan, Wendall Marshall of Mapleton, Michigan and the Attorney General of the State of Michigan. Ms. Sinclair and Mr. Marshall must still obtain a favorable Licensing Board ruling on the contentions they seek to litigate in the proceeding. A public prehearing conference is presently scheduled for November 15, 1978 in Courtroom No. 2, Midland, Michigan. The Licensing Board will consider contentions at that time.

By attached letter of September 29, 1978, the Applicant advised our Office of Inspection and Enforcement of the status of the settlement of the diesel generator foundations and building. The letter also describes the investigative actions underway to determine the cause of the settlement and the corrective actions to be taken. Our Office of Inspection and Enforcement maintains a resident site inspector at the Midland site on a full-time basis and will continue to follow this matter to its ultimate resolution.

We do not yet know what effect, if any, the settlement of the building and foundation will have on the construction completion schedule. Such determination must await the results of the investigations now underway.

OFFICE →	OELD	OELD	Sincerely,		
SURNAME →	WJOlmstead	JTourtellotte	William J. Olmstead, Attorney		
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The Honorable Robert P. Griffin
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Sincerely,

William J. Dircks

(Signed)

William J. Dircks
Deputy Executive Director
for Operations

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