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Docket No. 50-155

Consumers Power Company ATTN: Mr. R. B. DeWitt Manager of Nuclear Plant Operations 212 West Michigan Avenue Jackson, Michigan 49201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. D. R. Hunter of this office on April 12-15, 1976, of activities at Big Rock Foint Nuclear Flant authorized by NRC Reactor Operating License No. DFR-6 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. Eartnam and others at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described under Enforcement Items in the Summary of Findings section of the enclosed inspection report. The inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified noncompliance and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to this noncompliance is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room, except as follows. If this report contains information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons



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for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in an enclosure to the application.

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Our transmittal letters for Palisades inspection reports dated February 4 and April 2, 1976, discussed concerns on our part regarding your systems for followup on responses to the NRC. The subject report identifies two instances of late reports associated with Big Rock Point. We understand that measures which you are initiating to improve accounting of these matters at Palisades will also be applied to Big Rock Point.

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

Sincerely yours,

Gaston Fiorelli, Chief Reactor Operations and Nuclear Support Branch

Enclosure: IE Inspection Report No. 050-155/76-07

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