ISHAM, LINCOLN & BEALE COUNSELORS AT LAW 1120 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, N.W. + SUITE 840 *82 FEB -5 P2:19 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20036 CHICAGO OFFICE 202 833-9730 EDWARD S. ISHAM. 1872-1902 ONE FIRST NATIONAL PLAZA ROBERT T. LINCOLN. 1872-1889 WILLIAM G. BEALE, 1885-1923 CHICAGO ILLINOIS 60603 LECEPHONE 312 668-7500 TELEX 2-5288 February 5, 1982 Dr. Frederick P. Cowan Charles Bechhoefer, Esq. 6152 N. Verde Trail Atomic Safety and Licensing Apt. B-125 Board Panel Boca Raton, Florida 33433 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555 Dr. Jerry Harbour Atomic Safety & Licensing Board Panel Ralph S. Decker U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Administrative Judge Route No. 4, Box 190D Commission Washington, D.C. 20555 Cambridge, Maryland 21613 Dear Administrative Judges: Enclosed is Applicant's testimony with respect to Underground Piping and Tanks at the Midland Plant. This testimony has three authors, who will be presented as a panel in the evidentiary hearings beginning in Midland on February 16. The principal author is Donald F. Lewis, who is Acting Assistant Project Engineer and Engineering Group Supervisor, Midland Project, Bechtel, Ann Arbor. Donald F. Landers, Senior Vice President, Teledyne Engineering Services is responsible for Section 3.5 (Subsections 3.5.1 through 3.5.7) relating to acceptability criteria for ovalization. James K. Meisenheimer, Coordinator of Geotechnical Activities for Consumers Power Company is responsible for Sections 2.1 and 2.2 relating to soil conditions and predicted settlement. The impressive qualifications of these witnesses are described in more detail in the affidavits attached to this testimony. The level of information in this testimony relating to the Underground Piping and Tanks exceeds that normally available at the construction permit stage in NRC licensing proceedings. This testimony provides an adequate basis for a 8202090218 820205 PDR ADOCK 05000329 PDR

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finding that there is reasonable assurance that the Underground Piping and Tanks will perform their intended functions without undue risk to the public health and safety. Definitive operating license type findings must of course await later stages of this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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