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Docket No. 50-155

Consumers Power Company
ATTN: P. M. Donnelly
Plant Manager
Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant
10269 U.S. 31 North
Charlevoix, MI 49720

Dear Mr. Donnelly:

SUBJECT: PHYSICAL SECURITY SAFEGUARDS INSPECTION AT BIG ROCK POINT

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. G. L. Pirtle of this office between March 14 and April 5, 1994. The inspection included a review of authorized activities for your Big Rock Point Nuclear Plant facility. At the conclusion of the onsite inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violation is of concern because it represents the failure of management and security personnel to provide the necessary attention to detail to an important segment of the security program. We are also concerned about the lack of aggressiveness by the security section and engineering department to correct in a timely manner an equipment deficiency that required compensatory measures for an extended period of time.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL-511.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the Notice, and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed by John A. Grobe

John A. Grobe, Acting Chief
Reactor Support Programs Branch


Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report
No. 50-155/94003(DRSS)

cc w/enclosures:

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