

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Consumers Power Company
Palisades Nuclear Generating Facility.

Docket No. 50-255
License No. DPR-20

During an NRC inspection conducted from December 17, 1993, through January 28, 1994, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI, requires that conditions adverse to quality such as failures, deficiencies, deviations, defective material and equipment, and nonconformances are promptly identified and corrected. In the case of significant conditions adverse to quality, measures shall assure that the cause of the condition is determined and corrective action taken to preclude repetition.

10 CFR 50.73 (a)(2)(i)(B) requires that a licensee submit a Licensee Event Report (LER) within 30 days of the discovery of any operation or condition prohibited by the plant's Technical Specifications.

Contrary to the above, the licensee has failed to take effective corrective actions to preclude repetitive failures to submit LERs within 30 days of an event in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73. The licensee failed to submit an LER within 30 days in the following instances:

1. An LER for an April 27, 1993 event involving the simultaneous inoperability of both emergency diesel generators was required to be submitted by May 27, 1993, and was submitted on December 23, 1993.
2. An LER for a May 6, 1992 event involving the simultaneous inoperability of both emergency diesel generators was required to be submitted by June 6, 1992, and was submitted on February 10, 1994.
3. An LER for a February 24, 1991 event involving the unanticipated start of an emergency diesel generator was required to be submitted on March 26, 1991, and was submitted on June 30, 1991.
4. An LER for a November 13, 1990 discovery of non-qualified electrical splices on equipment inside containment was required to be submitted on December 13, 1990, and was submitted on January 28, 1991.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Consumers Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within

30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Under the authority of Section 182 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 2232, this response shall be submitted under oath or affirmation.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois,
this 18 day of Feb, 1994