SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION

December 9, 1982

Docket No. 50-255 LS05-82-12-018

> Mr. David J. VandeWalle Nuclear Licensing Administrator Consumers Power Company 1945 W. Parnall Road Jackson, Michigan 49201

Dear Mr. VandeWalle:

From September 13 through 17, 1982, NRC Safeguards Division staff conducted a Regulatory Effectiveness Review at the Palisades Nuclear Power Station. The findings of that review are documented in the enclosed report. The delay in transmitting this report was due to difficulties in processing photographs for Attachment 2. In order to avoid further delay, the report is being transmitted without Attachment 2 which will be sent to you at a later date. Although a number of notable strengths were observed in the safeguards program, certain weaknesses were found that warrant further consideration. Accordingly, it is requested that you respond to the areas of concern contained in Section 2.2 of the report within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

The reporting and/or recordkeeping requirements contained in this letter affect fewer than ten respondents; therefore, OMB clearance is not required under P. L. 96-511.

The enclosures to this letter contains Safeguards Information of a type specified in 10 CFR 73.21 and should, therefore, be protected from unauthorized disclosure.

Sincerely,

Dennis M. Cruthfield, Chief Operating Reactors Branch No. 5 Division of Licensing

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