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Docket No. 50-255

Consumers Power Company
ATTN: Mr. R. B. DeWitt
Vice President - Nuclear
Operations
212 West Michigan Avenue
Jackson, MI 49201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. B. L. Jorgensen, J. K. Heller, and B. W. Stapleton of this office during July, 1983, of activities at the Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. R. W. Montross and others of your staff 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 in the enclosed Appendix A and Appendix B. The inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified items of noncompliance and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to these items of noncompliance is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

Areas discussed in Appendix B concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 73.21(c)(2) of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 73, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. This information must be handled and protected in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21. Consequently, Appendix B to this letter will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosures except Appendix B, will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1). If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, a copy of this letter and the enclosures, except Appendix B, will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by C.E. Norelius"

C. E. Norelius, Director Division of Resident and Project Programs

Enclosures:

- Appendix A, Notice of Violation
- 2. Appendix B, Notice of Violation (UNCLASSIFIED SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION)
- Inspection Report No. 50-255/83-18(DPRP)

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