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Consumers Power Company
ATTN: Mr. James W. Cook
Vice President
Midland Project
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Gentlemen:

The NRC has reviewed your letter dated June 21, 1984, requesting NRC authorization to proceed with pipe hanger and whip restraint installation activities including the destatusing of hanger requiring rework due to design changes. Based on this review the NRC authorizes Consumers Power Company (CPCo) to proceed with the following:

1. Upon completion of Hanger Reinspection Program (HRP) activities each pipe hanger and whip restraint, CPCo is authorized to initiate Phase 2 activities for that pipe hanger or whip restraint. All HRP and Phase 2 activities are to comply with the Construction Completion Program (CCP) requirements for those activities but may proceed independent of module sequences or previous module releases.
2. In conjunction with the authorization to initiate phase 2 activities for pipe hangers and whip restraints for which HRP activities have been completed, CPCo is also authorized to install the associated piping system(s) (pipe and hangers), up to the first system anchor. This authorization is to ensure satisfactory adjustment, alignment and modification, as necessary) of each pipe hanger and whip restraint. Furthermore, this authorization is limited to minor work for new (not previously installed) piping work outlined in 1. above.

The NRC staff has decided not to authorize CPCo to destatus hangers requiring rework due to design changes and thus remove them from the CCP and the HRP. This request would remove a large portion of the Midland plant from CCP and HRP controls without sufficient basis for removal and without alternative programs and controls in place which have been subjected to NRC and Stone and Webster scrutiny.

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Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (312) 790-5635.

Sincerely,

"Original signed by J.J. Harrison"

J. J. Harrison, Chief
Reactor Projects Section 1D

Enclosure: Letter dated 6/21/84

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