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Consumers Power Company
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the management meeting held by me and other NRC representatives with you and other representatives of Consumers Power Company in Jackson, Michigan, on April 26 and June 21, 1982, to review the results of the NRC's evaluation of the utility's regulatory performance at the Midland Nuclear Plant in connection with NRC Manual Chapter 0516 - Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) and covers the period July 1, 1980 through June 30, 1982.

A preliminary copy of the SALP Report was provided to you in advance of our meeting. This report is enclosed, along with the written comments you provided on May 17, 1982.

Your May 17, 1982, response to the SALP Report took issue with a number of findings and evaluations presented by the SALP Board. As discussed at the June 21 meeting, the NRC representatives were not persuaded by the arguments presented and it is apparent that NRC and Consumers Power Company management have differing views as to the facts surrounding several identified concerns. I intend to contact you in the near future to arrange one or more "walking" meetings between our staffs in an attempt to clarify the disputed issues. Following completion of that effort I will give you my overall observations and assessment of the utility's performance during the appraisal period along with comments I believe are appropriate relative to your May 17 letter.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the SALP Report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions concerning these matters, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

James G. Keppler
Regional Administrator

Enclosure: SALP Reports
No. 50-329/82-14 and
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