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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, Michigan 49201

Dear Mr. DeWitt:

Subject: Operator and Senior Operator Licensing Examinations

In a telephone conversation between Mr. Eugene Dziedzic, Training Supervisor, and Mr. Joseph McMillen, Chief, Operator Licensing Section, Region III, arrangements were made for the administration of the examinations at the Palisades Nuclear Plant.

The written examinations are scheduled for March 15, 1983. The plant oral examinations are scheduled for March 16 and 17, 1983.

In order for us to meet the above schedule, it will be necessary for the facility to furnish the approved reference material listed in Enclosure 1 by January 17, 1983. Any delay in receiving this material will result in a delay in administering of the examinations. Our examinations are scheduled far in advance with considerable planning to utilize our present limited examiner manpower and to meet the examination dates requested by the various facilities. Therefore, missing the January 17, 1983 deadline even by a few days, will likely result in a long delay, since it would not be possible to reschedule examinations at other facilities. Mr. Dziedzic has been advised of our reference material requirements, the number of reference material sets that are required, and the examiners' names and addresses where each set is to be mailed.

The facility management is responsible for providing adequate space and facilities in order to properly conduct the written examinations. Enclosure 2, "Administration of Operator Licensing Written Examinations," describes our requirements for conducting these examinations. Mr. Dziedzic has also been informed of these requirements.

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All operator and senior license applications should be submitted at least 60 days and not later than 30 days prior to the first examination dates so that we will be able to review the training and experience of the candidates, process the medical certifications, and prepare final examiner assignments after candidate eligibility has been determined.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions regarding the examination procedures and requirements, please contact Mr. J. McMillen (312)932-2559, or Mr. D. Beckham (301)492-4868.

Sincerely,

William S. Little, Chief
Engineering Programs Branch

Enclosures: As stated

cc w/o encls:

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