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Docket No. 50-255

Consumers Power Company
ATTN: Mr. R. B. DeWitt
Vice President - Nuclear
Operations
212 West Michigan Avenue
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Mr. E. R. Swanson of this office during the period of January 5 through February 4, 1985 at the Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant authorized by NRC Provisional Operating License No. DPR-20 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. J. F. Firlit 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 specified in the enclosed Appendix. A written response is required.

The responses directed by this letter (and the accompanying Notice) are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, P.L. 96-511.

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

Sincerely,

"Original signed by W. D. Shafer"

W. D. Shafer, Chief Reactor Projects Branch 2

Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix, Notice of Violation
- Inspection Report No. 50-255/85-02(DRP)

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