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**DOCKET 50-255 - LICENSE DPR-20 - PALISADES PLANT CONVERSION TO  
IMPROVED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS; REVISED BASES**

On January 26, 1998, Consumers Energy Company submitted a Technical Specification Change Request (TSCR) to convert the Palisades Technical Specifications to closely emulate the Standard Technical Specifications for Combustion Engineering Plants, NUREG-1432. During the final stages of their review of that submittal, the NRC staff provided suggestions for clarification of the Bases for Sections 3.3 and 3.7. Those suggestions have been incorporated and the affected Bases sections are provided in the enclosure to this letter. These changes affect only the Bases for LCOs 3.3.6, 3.7.7, and 3.7.8.

**SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS**

This submittal contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

  
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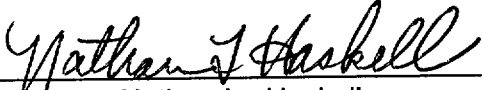
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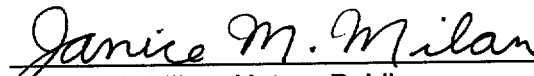
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IMPROVED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS; REVISED BASES**

To the best of my knowledge, the content of this submittal of revised Improved Technical Specifications (ITS) Bases pages, is truthful and complete.

  
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Sworn and subscribed to before me this 22nd day of October 1999.

  
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Janice M. Milan, Notary Public  
Allegan County, Michigan  
(Acting in Van Buren County, Michigan)  
My commission expires September 6, 2003

