

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

September 6, 2000

PNO-RIII-00036

LICENSEE: Consumers Power Co.

FACILITY: Palisades

UNIT: 1

Rx INFO: Palisades - PWR

DOCKETS: 50-255

CITY: Covert

EVENT NUMBER: 37291

EVENT DATE: September 5, 2000

REGION: 3

LOCATION CODE: POW

STATE: Michigan

EMERGENCY CLASS: NA

SUBJECT: SHUTDOWN TO REPAIR EMERGENCY CORE COOLING SYSTEM CHECK VALVE

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DESCRIPTION:

At 11:53 p.m. EDT on September 5, 2000, the reactor was shut down to repair a check valve for the Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) and to perform other maintenance activities.

During radiography examinations of the internal parts of the check valve on September 5, 2000, the licensee discovered that the internal parts of the check valve were not attached to the valve. The valve is in the common miniflow circulation line for train "A" of the ECCS. The licensee declared the check valve and two additional isolation valves in the miniflow line inoperable which resulted in a required shutdown due to technical specifications.

The State of Michigan will be informed. The information in this preliminary notification has been reviewed with licensee management.

The resident inspectors will monitor the licensee's maintenance and repair activities.

This information is current as of 10 a.m. CDT on September 6, 2000.