



**Palisades Nuclear Plant**  
Operated by Nuclear Management Company, LLC

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Generic Letter 2003-01: Control Room Habitability – Revised Commitments

By letter dated November 25, 2003, Nuclear Management Company, LLC (NMC) provided schedules for completion of commitments associated with generic letter (GL) 2003-01 for four NMC plants. The completion of all committed actions is dependent on performing control room envelope in-leakage testing in accordance with ASTM E741 "Standard Test Method for Determining Air Change in a Single Zone by Means of a Tracer Gas Dilution." The performance of this testing is a function of vendor availability and the completion of plant site preparation activities.

The Palisades Nuclear Plant has experienced an extended refueling outage due to emergent reactor vessel head nozzle repair work. The outage extension resulted in delays in completing preparation activities necessary to perform the ASTM E741 test and kept the plant in a configuration that would not allow the testing to take place until after the vendor's committed test schedule. Consequently, NMC is providing a revised schedule of commitments for the Palisades Nuclear Plant. The commitments have been revised to reflect the next appropriate opportunity for the vendor to perform the testing and for the necessary preparation activities to be completed.

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Summary of Commitments

Revised commitments for the Palisades Nuclear Plant are contained in Enclosure 1.

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for  
Daniel J. Malone  
Site Vice President, Palisades Nuclear Plant  
Nuclear Management Company, LLC

Enclosure (1)

CC Administrator, Region III, USNRC  
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**ENCLOSURE 1**  
**GENERIC LETTER 2003-01: CONTROL ROOM HABITABILITY**  
**REVISED COMMITMENTS**

| <b>Commitments</b>   | <b>Schedule for Completion</b> |
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| <b>Each 60-day response stated that NMC would provide the schedule [for the activity listed below] by December 5, 2003.</b>                                    | <b>Palisades Nuclear Plant</b> |
| 1. Perform the ASTM E741 testing [T] and, [provide] the requested response to GL 2003-01 item 1(a)   | April 2005<br>T+ 90 days       |
| 2. Verifying by ASTM E741 testing that the most limiting inleakage has been incorporated into the hazardous chemical assessments (GL 2003-01 item 1(b) part 1) | T+90 days                      |
| 3. [Perform a] smoke assessment (GL 2003-01 item 1(b) part 2)  | T+90 days                      |
| 4. Development of technical specification changes (and any associated plant modifications) to support requested information GL 2003-01 item 1(c)               | T+120 days(1)                  |

(1) Technical Specification submittal dates are contingent on timely approval and issuance of the CLIIP for the Technical Specification Task Force (TSTF) – 448 traveler on control room habitability. Completion dates may change based upon any plant modifications determined to be necessary by the testing.