

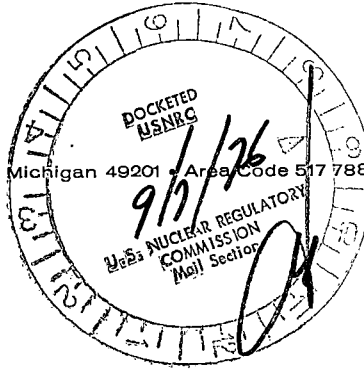


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DOCKET 50-255, LICENSE DPR-20 -
PALISADES PLANT - INSERVICE INSPECTION

Our letter dated June 11, 1976 stated that we were reviewing the requirements for testing of pumps and valves and that we would advise you of our intention with respect to any Technical Specifications changes which might be required.

A review of the inservice pump and valve testing requirements has been completed and the scopes of both programs, as they apply to our Palisades Plant, have been defined. Several areas have been identified where plant design will not permit all parameters to be measured and Technical Specifications changes and/or commission notification will be required. These changes appear to be associated only with the pump testing requirements.

A tentative schedule for development and implementation of the pump and valve inspection programs is as follows:

September 15, 1976 - Pump program, including test procedures, approved and ready for issue. Valve program administrative procedures completed.

September 30, 1976 - Complete preparation of proposed revision of the Technical Specifications and identify areas of impractical testing. Complete submittal to NRC.

Complete draft of test procedures for all valves except relief valves.

Mid-October 1976 - Implement pump testing program and valve testing program. Relief valve test procedures may be completed at a later time (but prior to time of testing).

As stated in our July 20, 1976 letter, the inspection program is being developed to meet the requirement of Section XI through summer of 1976 addenda. If this approach should be found unacceptable, some changes in our procedures and time of implementation may be required.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David A. Bixel".

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