

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Consumers Power Company
Palisades Nuclear Generating Plant

Docket No. 50-255
License No. DPR-20

During a NRC inspection conducted on July 27, 1996, through September 6, 1996, violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violations are listed below:

1. 10 CFR 50 Appendix B, Criterion V, states, in part, that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions, procedures, or drawings, of a type appropriate to the circumstances and shall be accomplished in accordance with these instructions, procedures, or drawings.

Administrative procedure 4.02, "Control Of Equipment," section 5.3.4f., states, in part, "Non-Operations Department personnel may operate valves and/or Plant equipment within a clearance boundary as directed by approved Plant procedures OR with the specific approval of the Shift Supervisor".

- a. Contrary to the above, on August 4, 1996, a system engineer manipulated the fuel rack on the emergency diesel generator 1-1 during a surveillance, which was not covered by the procedure or authorized by the Shift Supervisor.
 - b. Contrary to the above, on August 20, 1996, an electrical maintenance technician operated the supply ventilation fan to the emergency diesel generator 1-2 room without proper authorization of the Shift Supervisor of addressed by the tagout boundary.
2. Technical Specifications 6.2.2b., requires, in part, that at least one licensed Senior Reactor Operator shall be in the control room at all times during conditions other than cold shutdown and refueling.

Contrary to the above, on August 9, and again on August 13, with the plant at full power, for less than one minute there were no senior reactor operators present in the control room who were cognizant of ongoing plant conditions.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Consumers Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of

Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois
this 18 day of October, 1996