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Robert L. Tedesco  
Division of Licensing  
Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
re: Midland Plant

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Dear Mr. Tedesco;

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On July 9, 1982, you wrote to Consumers requesting a design and construction audit as recommended by the ACRS. You noted that "the credibility of such studies is significantly enhanced if performed by a source independent of the construction effort."

In light of Midland's history of quality assurance problems and pattern of design deficiencies as noted in the recent SALP report, this independence is essential. In fact, this audit should be performed by a competitor, rather than a firm of Consumer's choosing, in order to assure the highest possible degree of objectivity and independence.

When the NRC recently required this competitive approach at South Texas, a tremendous service was performed for the people of Texas by the aggressive Bechtel effort in examining the work of Brown and Root. A similar audit of Bechtel's work by Brown and Root, or some other competing architect/engineering firm, could provide the assurance of design and construction adequacy so crucial at Midland today.

The people of Michigan deserve the thoroughness and objectivity in the Midland review that only a competitor could provide. Please give this suggestion serious consideration.

Respectfully,

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