

report for the Secretary of Labor and, if warranted, to receive testimony from additional witnesses.

Members of the public are encouraged to file a written statement pertaining to the topic by submitting 20 copies on or before September 28, 1999, to Sharon Morrissey, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-5677, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Working Group should forward their request to the Executive Secretary or telephone (202) 219-8753. Oral presentation will be limited to 10 minutes, but an extended statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities, who need special accommodations, should contact Sharon Morrissey by September 28, at the address indicated in this notice.

Organizations or individuals may also submit statements for the record without testifying. Twenty (20) copies of such statements should be sent to the Executive Secretary of the Advisory Council at the above address. Papers will be accepted and included in the record of the meeting if received on or before September 28.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 15th day of September, 1999.

Richard McGahey,

Assistant Secretary, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Working Group Exploring the Possibility of Using Surplus Pension Assets To Secure Retiree Health Benefits Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, a public meeting will be held Tuesday, October 5, 1999, of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans Working Group assigned to explore the possibility of using surplus pension assets to secure retiree health benefits.

The session will take place in Room N-3437 A-B, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210. The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 1:00 p.m. to

approximately 3:30 p.m., is for working group members to formulate recommendations for the committee's report, due for completion by the end of the Advisory Council year on November 14.

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Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

Working Group Studying Issues Surrounding the Trend in the Defined Benefit Plan Market With a Focus on Employer-Sponsored Hybrid Plans Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefits Plans; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the authority contained in Section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, a public meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 6, 1999, of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans Working Group assigned to study issues surrounding trends in the defined benefit market with a focus on employer-sponsored hybrid plans.

The purpose of the open meeting, which will run from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 1:00 p.m. in Room N-3427 A-B, U.S. Department of Labor Building, Second and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, is for working group members to conclude taking testimony on account balance plans and to begin drafting its report for the Secretary of Labor.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[Docket No. 50-255]

Consumers Energy Company; Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of an amendment to Facility Operating License No. DPR-20, issued to the Consumers Energy Company (the licensee), for operation of the Palisades Plant, located in Van Buren County, Michigan.

The proposed amendment would represent a full conversion from the current Technical Specifications (CTS)