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Ladies/Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-301
RESPONSE TO REGULATORY ISSUE SUMMARY 2000-04
OPERATING REACTOR LICENSING ACTION ESTIMATE
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission, in the subject regulatory issue summary dated March 16, 2000, requested licensees to voluntarily provide a numerical estimate of the number of licensing actions projected for submittal during Fiscal Years (FY) 2000 and 2001. In addition, a brief summary of those actions likely to require complex reviews by the NRC staff was also requested.

Historically, Wisconsin Electric has submitted approximately eight license amendment requests per year related to changes in the Technical Specifications and would expect this trend to continue for the near future.

We presently project the following major near-term license amendment requests that could be expected to impact staff resources during the next two fiscal years:

- Responses to Requests for Additional Information (RAIs) regarding our application for conversion of the PBNP custom Technical Specifications to the Improved Standard Technical Specifications. (FY 00)
- Amendments to uprate reactor licensed power. (FY 01)

In addition to requests for amendments, Wisconsin Electric has requested exemptions from NRC regulations and relief from ASME Code required inspections and testing when necessary. In general, requests for exemptions and relief are minimal.

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The estimates provided are based on present plans and expectations. Changes may occur due to unforeseen or emergent issues, schedule changes and other considerations. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact us.

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