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Ladies/Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 72-005, 50-266 AND 50-301
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REGARDING
REQUEST FOR SCHEDULAR EXEMPTION FROM 10 CFR 72.48
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

By letter dated March 20, 2001, Nuclear Management Corporation (NMC) requested Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval of a scheduler exemption from the requirements of 10 CFR 72.48 regarding the Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP) independent spent fuel storage facility (ISFSI). This letter provides supplementary information regarding reporting requirements associated with changes to 10 CFR 72.48 discussed with Mr. Steve O'Connor of the Spent Fuel Project Office on March 29, 2001.

10 CFR 72.48(d)(2) states that the licensee shall submit, as specified in 10 CFR 72.4, a report containing a brief description of any changes, tests, and experiments and a summary of each 10 CFR 72.48 evaluation. A report shall be submitted at intervals not to exceed 24 months. PBNP has been submitting this information on a yearly basis in the plant's Annual Results and Data Report. The most recent report covering calendar year 2000 was submitted in a letter dated February 28, 2001. PBNP will continue to submit 10 CFR 72.48 evaluation descriptions/summaries to meet the 24 month reporting requirement.

10 CFR 72.48 (d)(6)(i) requires general licensees provide a copy of the record for any changes to a spent fuel storage cask design to the certificate holder within 60 days of implementing the change. It has been PBNP practice to provide copies of 10 CFR 72.48 evaluations to the cask certificate holder, and we will continue to do so within the 60-day period specified by 10 CFR 72.48 (d)(6)(i). In addition, Point Beach is active in the BNFL Fuel Solutions (VSC-24) Owners Group and regularly provides information on 10 CFR 72.48 evaluations performed by PBNP to members of the Owners Group.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Mr. Thomas Webb, Site Licensing Director, at 920/388-8537.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark E. Reddemann', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark E. Reddemann
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cc: NRC Resident Inspector NRC Regional Administrator PSCW
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