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Docket No. 50-301

Wisconsin Michigan and Wisconsin
Electric Power Company
ATTN: Mr. Sol Burstein
Senior Vice President
213 West Michigan Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201

Gentlemen:

The Commission has filed the enclosed Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License with the Office of the Federal Register for publication. The proposed amendment would revise provisions in the Technical Specifications to allow operation of core Cycle 2 following refueling of the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit No. 2, in accordance with your request of August 30, 1974.

Sincerely,

Original Signed

George Lear, Chief
Operating Reactors Branch #3
Directorate of Licensing

Enclosure:
Federal Register Notice

cc: Mr. Bruce W. Churchill, Esquire
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PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION - NOTICING OF
PROPOSED LICENSING AMENDMENT

Licensee: Wisconsin Electric Power Company

Request for: Change in Technical Specifications to allow Cycle 2
operation of Point Beach Unit 2.

Request Date: August 30, 1974 (Approval needed no earlier than December 15
per phone conversation October 23, 1974.)

Proposed Action: (X) Pre-notice Recommended
() Post-notice Recommended
() Determination delayed pending
completion of Safety Evaluation

Basis for Decision: The licensee has requested a change in the Technical
Specifications to allow operation of Point Beach
Unit 2 in core cycle 2 following Unit 2 refueling this
fall.

A pre-notice is required because their analysis is based
on their Final Acceptable Criteria (FAC) analysis, FAC
proposed technical specifications and the new Westing-
house fuel densification model (WCAP 8359). The Point
Beach FAC analysis and WCAP 8359 are now under review
by TR. The current concept for licensing actions re-
quires a pre-notice when it involves new hazards con-
siderations such as the new unreviewed fuel densifi-
cation model now used by Wisconsin Electric in support
of this proposed amendment

CONCURRENCES

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1.	<u>Peter Erickson</u>	<u>10/29/74</u>
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2.	<u>George Lear</u>	<u>10/30/74</u>
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The Office of the General Counsel concurs in the "Preliminary Determination-Noticing of Proposed Licensing Amendment" by modifying the last sentence of the Basis for Decision to read as follows:

"Pre-notice is required in this case at the earliest practical date because (1) new hazards considerations are involved, as evidenced by the new unreviewed fuel densification model used by the licensee in support of the proposed amendment and (2) it is not possible to complete our safety evaluation in which a determination will be made on significant hazards considerations questions in time to prevent a delay in the scheduled startup of Unit 2, Cycle 2 operation after fuel re-loading."

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