



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

May 3, 1978

Docket Nos. 50-266
and 50-301

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Gentlemen:

The Commission has filed the enclosed "Notice of Proposed Issuance of Amendments to Facility Operating Licenses" with the Office of the Federal Register for publication. This notice relates to your request dated March 21, 1978, to increase the spent fuel storage capacity and modify the spent fuel cask handling system at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2.

Sincerely,

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A. Schwencer, Chief
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Enclosure:
Federal Register Notice

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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WISCONSIN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AMENDMENTS
TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSES

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) is considering issuance of amendments to Facility Operating License Nos. DPR-24 and DPR-27 issued to Wisconsin Electric Power Company (the licensee), for operation of the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit Nos. 1 and 2, located in the Town of Two Creeks, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin.

The amendments would increase the authorized storage capacity of the spent fuel storage pools from 351 fuel assemblies to 1484 fuel assemblies and involve modifications to the spent fuel cask handling system in support of the licensee's proposal to (1) increase the licensed capacity of the cask handling system, and (2) to modify current restrictions on the placement of a spent fuel shipping cask into the spent fuel pool while fuel assemblies are stored therein.

Prior to issuance of the proposed license amendments, the Commission will have made the findings required by the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's regulations.

By June 9, 1978, the licensee may file a request for a hearing and any person whose interest may be affected by this proceeding may file a request for a hearing in the form of a petition for leave to intervene with respect to the issuance of the amendments to the subject facility operating licenses. Petitions for leave to intervene must be filed under oath or affirmation in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.714 of 10 CFR Part 2 of the Commission's regulations. A petition for leave to intervene must set forth the interest of the

petitioner in the proceeding, how that interest may be affected by the results of the proceeding, and the petitioner's contentions with respect to the proposed licensing action. Such petitions must be filed in accordance with the provisions of this FEDERAL REGISTER notice and Section 2.714, and must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Docketing and Service Section, by the above date. A copy of the petition and/or request for a hearing should be sent to the Executive Legal Director, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, and to Mr. Bruce W. Churchill, Esquire, Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge 1800 M Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20036, the attorney for the licensee.

A petition for leave to intervene must be accompanied by a supporting affidavit which identifies the specific aspect or aspects of the proceeding as to which intervention is desired and specifies with particularity the facts on which the petitioner relies as to both his interest and his contentions with regard to each aspect on which intervention is requested. Petitions stating contentions relating only to matters outside the Commission's jurisdiction will be denied.

All petitions will be acted upon by the Commission or licensing board, designated by the Commission or by the Chairman of the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel. Timely petitions will be considered to determine whether a hearing should be noticed or another appropriate order issued regarding the disposition of the petitions.

In the event that a hearing is held and a person is permitted to intervene, he becomes a party to the proceeding and has a right to participate fully in the conduct of the hearing. For example, he may present evidence and examine and cross-examine witnesses.

For further details with respect to this action, see the application for amendments dated March 21, 1978, which is available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, NW., Washington, D.C. 20555, and at the local public document rooms established at the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point Library, Stevens Point, Wisconsin 54481, and at the Manitowoc Public Library, 808 Hamilton Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin 54220. The local public document room at the Manitowoc Public Library has been established on a temporary basis to make available to the public documents related to the matters set forth in this Notice. The license amendments and the Safety Evaluation, when issued, may be inspected at the above locations and a copy may be obtained on request addressed to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20555, Attention: Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

Dated at Bethesda, Maryland, this 3rd day of May 1978.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'A. Schwencer', is written over the typed name.

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