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A copy of the Safety Evaluation is also enclosed. The notice of issuance will be included in the Commission's next biweekly Federal Register notice.

Sincerely,

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Docket Nos. 50-266  
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DOCKET NO. 50-266

POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT NO. 1

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 162  
License No. DPR-24

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment by Wisconsin Electric Power Company (the licensee) dated January 24, 1995, as supplemented by letters dated February 24, April 25, May 24, and June 1, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

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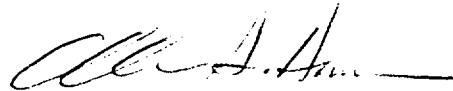
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 3.B of Facility Operating License No. DPR-24 is hereby amended to read as follows:

B. Technical Specifications

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 162, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

3. This license amendment is effective immediately upon issuance. The Technical Specifications are to be implemented within 45 days from the date of issuance.

FOR THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION



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Attachment: Changes to the Technical  
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DOCKET NO. 50-301

POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT NO. 2

AMENDMENT TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE

Amendment No. 166  
License No. DPR-27

1. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (the Commission) has found that:
  - A. The application for amendment by Wisconsin Electric Power Company (the licensee) dated January 24, 1995, as supplemented by letters dated February 24, April 25, May 24, and June 1, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations set forth in 10 CFR Chapter I;
  - B. The facility will operate in conformity with the application, the provisions of the Act, and the rules and regulations of the Commission;
  - C. There is reasonable assurance (i) that the activities authorized by this amendment can be conducted without endangering the health and safety of the public, and (ii) that such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations;
  - D. The issuance of this amendment will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and
  - E. The issuance of this amendment is in accordance with 10 CFR Part 51 of the Commission's regulations and all applicable requirements have been satisfied.

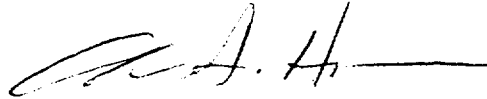
2. Accordingly, the license is amended by changes to the Technical Specifications as indicated in the attachment to this license amendment, and paragraph 3.B of Facility Operating License No. DPR-27 is hereby amended to read as follows:

**B. Technical Specifications**

The Technical Specifications contained in Appendices A and B, as revised through Amendment No. 166, are hereby incorporated in the license. The licensee shall operate the facility in accordance with the Technical Specifications.

3. This license amendment is effective immediately upon issuance. The Technical Specifications are to be implemented within 45 days from the date of issuance.

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ATTACHMENT TO LICENSE AMENDMENT NOS. 162 AND 166  
TO FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NOS. DPR-24 AND DPR-27  
DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301

Revise Appendix A Technical Specifications by removing the pages identified below and inserting the enclosed pages. The revised pages are identified by amendment number and contain vertical lines indicating the area of change.

REMOVE

TS 15.6.5-6

TS 15.6.5-8

TS 15.7.3-7

NOTES FOR TS TABLE 15.7.6-1  
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NOTES FOR TS TABLE 15.7.6-2  
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TS 15.7.7-1 through  
TS 15.7.7-3 (3 pages)

TS 15.7.8-1

TS 16.1-3

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TS 15.6.5-6

TS 15.6.5-8

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TS 15.7.7-3 (3 pages)

TS 15.7.8-1

TS 16.1-3



15.6.5.2.7 (Continued)

- h) Any indication of an unanticipated deficiency in some aspect of design or operation of safety related structures, systems, or components.
- i) Reports and meeting minutes of the Manager's Supervisory Staff.

AUDITS

15.6.5.2.8 Audits of facility activities shall be performed under the cognizance of the OSRC. These audits shall encompass:

- a) The conformance of facility operation to provisions contained within the Technical Specifications and applicable license conditions.
- b) The performance, training and qualifications of the licensed operating staff.
- c) The results of actions taken to correct deficiencies occurring in facility equipment, structures, systems or method of operation that affect nuclear safety.
- d) The results of audits by the quality assurance organization on the performance of activities required by the Quality Assurance Program to meet the criteria of Appendix B, 10 CFR 50.
- e) Any other area of facility operation considered appropriate by the President.

AUTHORITY

15.6.5.2.9 The OSRC shall report to and advise the President on those areas of responsibility specified in Section 15.6.5.2.7 and 15.6.5.2.8.

15.6.5.3 Fire Protection Audits

- a) An independent fire protection and loss prevention inspection and audit shall be performed annually utilizing either qualified offsite licensee personnel or an outside fire protection firm.
- b) An inspection and audit of the fire protection and loss prevention program shall be performed by an outside qualified fire consultant at intervals no greater than 3 years.

primary system is being degassed (other than normal gas stripping of the letdown flow). If the monitoring system is out of service for greater than 14 days, in addition to the above sampling, a report of the cause and corrective action for failure and repair of the gas monitor shall be included in the Annual Monitoring Report.

Note 8: If the number of channels operable is fewer than the minimum required, effluent releases via this pathway may continue provided grab samples are collected twice per week and analyzed in accordance with Table 15.7.6-1.

Note 9: If the number of channels operable is fewer than the minimum required, effluent releases via this pathway may continue provided the flow is estimated or determined with auxiliary indication at least once every 24 hours.

NOTES FOR TABLE 15.7.6-1

1. The principal gamma emitter for which the gamma isotopic LLD applies is Cs-137. Because gamma isotopic analyses are performed, the LLDs for all other gamma emitters are inherently determined by the operating characteristics of the counting system. All identifiable gamma emitters will be reported in the Annual Monitoring Report.
2. A batch release is the discharge of liquid wastes of a discrete volume. Prior to sampling for analyses each batch shall be isolated and mixed to assure representative sampling.
3. A continuous release is the discharge of liquid wastes of a non-discrete volume; e.g., from a volume of a system that has an input flow during the release.
4. A continuous composite is one in which the method of sampling employed results in a specimen that is representative of the liquids released.
5. Identified entrained noble gases shall be reported as gaseous effluents.

NOTES FOR TABLE 15.7.6-2

1. The principal gamma emitters for which the LLD specification applies are Cs-137 in particulates and Xe-133 in gases. Because gamma isotopic analyses are performed, the LLDs for all other gamma emitters are inherently determined by the operating characteristics of the counting system. All identifiable gamma emitters will be reported in the Annual Monitoring Report.
2. Tritium grab samples will be taken every 24 hours when the refueling cavity is flooded.
3. The ratio of the sample flow rate to the release flow rate shall be known or estimated for the time period covered by each sampling interval.
4. Tritium grab samples will be taken every seven days from the drumming area ventilation exhaust/spent fuel pool area whenever there is spent fuel in the spent fuel pool.

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Unit 2 - Amendment No. ~~101~~, 166

## 15.7.7 OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PROGRAM

### Applicability

This section applies to operational environmental radioactivity monitoring and sampling.

### Objective

To verify that plant operations have no significant radiological effects on the environment.

### Specifications

#### A. Environmental Monitoring Program

1. Environmental monitoring samples shall be taken at locations specified in the PBNP Environmental Manual according to the sampling and collection frequencies given in Table 15.7.7-1.
2. Deviations from the required sampling schedule as specified in Table 15.7.7-1, are permitted if hazardous conditions, seasonal unavailability, automatic sampling equipment malfunctions, and other legitimate reasons make the sample unobtainable. If the radiological environmental monitoring program is not being conducted as specified in Table 15.7.7-1, a description of the reasons for not conducting the program and the plans for preventing a recurrence will be submitted with the next Annual Monitoring Report.
3. If milk or vegetation samples become unavailable from one or more of the sample locations specified in the PBNP Environmental Manual, identify locations for obtaining replacement samples and add them to the radiological environmental monitoring program within 30 days. The specific locations from which samples were unavailable may then be deleted from the monitoring program. The cause of the unavailability of samples and replacement samples shall be

identified in the next Annual Monitoring Report. Figures and tables in the Environmental Manual are to be revised reflecting the new sample locations.

B. Detection Capabilities

1. Environmental samples shall be analyzed as specified in Table 15.7.7-2.
2. The required detection capabilities for environmental sample analyses are tabulated in terms of the lower limits of detection (LLDs).
3. If circumstances render the stated LLDs in Table 15.7.7-2 unachievable, the contributing factors shall be identified and described in the next Annual Monitoring Report.

C. Notification Levels

1. If a measured level of radioactivity in any environmental medium exceeds the notification level listed in Table 15.7.7-3, resampling and/or reanalysis for confirmation shall be completed within 30 days of the determination of the anomalous result. If the confirmed measured level of radioactivity remains above the notification level, a written report shall be submitted to the NRC in accordance with Section 15.7.8.4.B within thirty days of the confirmation. This report is not required if the measured level of radioactivity was not the result of plant effluents.
2. If more than one of the radionuclides listed in Table 15.7.7-3 are detected in any environmental medium, a weighted sum calculation shall be performed if the measured concentration of a detected radionuclide is greater than 25% of the notification levels. For those radionuclides with LLDs in excess of 25% of the notification level, a weighted sum calculation need only be performed if the reported value exceeds the LLD. The weighted sum is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\text{concentration (1)}}{\text{notification level (1)}} + \frac{\text{concentration (2)}}{\text{notification level (2)}} + \dots = \text{weighted sum}$$

If the calculated weighted sum is equal to or greater than 1, resampling and/or reanalysis for confirmation shall be completed within 30 days of the determination of the anomalous result. If

the confirmed calculated weighted sum remains equal to or greater than 1, a written report shall be submitted to the NRC in accordance with Section 15.7.8.4.B within thirty (30) days of the confirmation. This calculation requirement and report is not required if the measured level of radioactivity was not the result of plant effluents.

3. All detected radionuclides shall be reported in the Annual Monitoring Reports. Naturally occurring nuclides such as Be-7, K-40, and the U-238 and Th-232 decay series radionuclides shall not be included in this requirement.

D. Land Use Census

1. The milk sampling program shall be reviewed annually, including a visual verification of animals grazing in the vicinity of the site boundary, to ensure that sampling locations remain as conservative as practicable.

E. Interlaboratory Comparison Program

1. The environmental sampling analyses shall be performed by a laboratory participating in an Interlaboratory Comparison Program.
2. If the analytical laboratory is not participating in the Interlaboratory Comparison Program, a description of the corrective actions to be taken to preclude a recurrence shall be submitted in the Annual Monitoring Report.

Basis

The operational radiological environmental monitoring program as outlined in Table 15.7.7-1 provides sufficient sample types and locations to detect and to evaluate changes in environmental radioactivity. Although radioactivity in plant effluents is continuously monitored and releases are well below levels which are considered safe upper limits, radiological environmental monitoring is a conservative measure undertaken to determine whether the operation of the Point Beach Nuclear Plant produces any significant radiological change in the surrounding environment.

Radioactivity is released in liquid and gaseous effluents. Air particulate samples and thermoluminescent dosimeters placed at various locations provide means of detecting changes in environmental radioactivity as a result of plant releases to the atmosphere.



15.7.8 ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

15.7.8.1 Duties of the Manager's Supervisory Staff

The duties of the Manager's Supervisory Staff with respect to these radiological effluent technical specifications are listed in Specification 15.6.5.1.8 at Items j. and k.

15.7.8.2 Audits

- A. An audit of the activities encompassed by the Offsite Dose Calculation Manual and the Process Control Program and its implementing procedures shall be performed utilizing either offsite licensee personnel or a consulting firm.
- B. An audit of the radiological environmental monitoring program and the results thereof shall be performed utilizing either offsite licensee personnel or a qualified consulting firm.
- C. The results of the audits in A and B above shall be transmitted to the Vice-President - Nuclear Power and the Chairman of the Offsite Review Committee.

15.7.8.3 Plant Operating Procedures

The ODCM and the PCP shall be established and maintained in accordance with the provisions of specification 15.6.8. Effluent and environmental monitoring shall be addressed in the Quality Assurance Program.

15.7.8.4 RETS Reporting Requirements

The following written reports shall be submitted to the Administrator, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region III with a copy to the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement, USNRC, Washington, D.C. 20555 within the time periods specified.

A. Annual Monitoring Report

A report covering the operation of PBNP for the previous twelve (12) month period, or fraction thereof, ending on December 31, shall be submitted by May 1 of each year containing:

- 1. Information relative to the quantities of liquid, gaseous and solid radioactive effluents released from the facility, and effluent volumes used in maintaining the releases

## 16.5 Reporting Requirements

### Specification

1. As part of the Annual Monitoring Report, described in Section 15.7.8.4.A of Appendix A, the following shall be reported:
  - a. All scheduled and unscheduled chemical discharge to the condenser cooling water.
  - b. A description of circulating water system operation for each unit which includes ambient temperature, intake temperature, discharge temperature, and circulating water system flow.



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SAFETY EVALUATION BY THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR REGULATION  
RELATED TO AMENDMENT NOS. 162 AND 166 TO  
FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE NOS. DPR-24 AND DPR-27  
WISCONSIN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY  
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2  
DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301

1.0 INTRODUCTION

By letter dated January 24, 1995, as supplemented by letters dated February 24, April 25, May 24, and June 1, 1995, Wisconsin Electric Power Company, the licensee, proposed to modify the Point Beach Nuclear Plant (PBNP), Unit Nos. 1 and 2, Technical Specifications (TSs). The proposed amendment would modify Technical Specification (TS) Section 15.6.5, "Review and Audit," and TS Section 15.7.8, "Administrative Controls." Audit frequency requirements would be relocated to the quality assurance program description, which is subject to the provisions of 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3). The section on emergency plan reviews would be relocated to the Emergency Plan Maintenance Procedure, and the period for radioactive effluent reporting would be increased to an annual basis. In addition, the references to "Semiannual Monitoring Report" would be changed to "Annual Monitoring Report" throughout TS Sections 15.7 and 16.5.

The February 24, April 25, May 24, and June 1, 1995 submittals provided supplemental information that did not change the proposed no significant hazards consideration determination.

2.0 EVALUATION

TS Section 15.6.5.2.8, "Off-Site Review Committee (OSRC) Audits"

The licensee's proposal would eliminate all of the audit frequencies ("at least once per year," "at least twice per year...", "quarterly," and "at least once per two years") from TS 15.6.5.2.8, Subsections a, b, c and d. The licensee has placed the frequencies in the Point Beach Nuclear Quality Assurance Program (NQAP), where changes are subject to NRC review pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3). Since the NQAP lists all of these frequencies, removal of them from the TSs is consistent with current staff guidance and agrees with NUREG-1431, "Westinghouse Standard Technical Specifications." Therefore, these changes are acceptable.

The proposal would also change the reference to the organization responsible for activities required by the Quality Assurance Program from "Quality

Assurance Division" to "quality assurance organization." Since this change is administrative only, it is acceptable.

TS Section 15.6.5.3, "Fire Protection Audits"

The proposal would change the word "license" to "licensee" in TS 15.6.5.3.a, correcting a typographical error. Since this change is administrative only, it is acceptable.

TS Section 15.6.5.4, "Emergency Plan Reviews"

The licensee's proposal would eliminate TS Section 15.6.5.4 which requires that a review of the Emergency Preparedness Program be performed in accordance with 10 CFR 50.54(t). This requirement is already stated in 10 CFR 50.54(t), so that the TS is redundant. Thus, the removal is an administrative change only and is, therefore, acceptable.

TS Section 15.7, "Radiological Effluent Technical Specifications (RETS)"

The amendment would change all references to "Semiannual Monitoring Report(s)" to "Annual Monitoring Report(s)" in TS Section 15.7 (and the one reference in TS Section 16.5). This change is consistent with the change in TS Section 15.7.8.4.A (see below), and is an administrative change only. Therefore, it is acceptable.

TS Section 15.7.8.1, "Duties of the Manager's Supervisory Staff"

The proposal would change the reference for the location of the duties of the Manager's Supervisory Staff from TS 15.6.5.1.6 to TS 15.6.5.1.8, correcting a typographical error. Since this change is administrative only, it is acceptable.

TS Section 15.7.8.2, "Audits"

The licensee's proposal would eliminate the audit frequency ("at least once every 24 months") from TS Section 15.7.8.2.A related to the activities associated with the Offsite Dose Calculation Manual and the Process Control Program. In addition, the proposal would eliminate the audit frequency ("at least once every 12 months") from TS Section 15.7.8.2.B related to the radiological environmental monitoring program. The licensee has placed the frequencies in the NQAP, where changes are subject to NRC review pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(a)(3). Since the NQAP lists all of these frequencies, removal of these audit frequencies from the TSs is consistent with current staff guidance and agrees with NUREG-1431. Therefore, these changes are acceptable.

TS Section 15.7.8.4.A, "RETS Reporting Requirements"

The licensee's proposal would reword TS 15.7.8.4.A to require radioactive effluent reports to be submitted annually instead of semiannually. This rewording meets the requirements of 10 CFR 50.36a which became effective on October 1, 1992 (57 FR 39353, August 31, 1992). Therefore, the change is acceptable.

### 3.0 STATE CONSULTATION

In accordance with the Commission's regulations, the Wisconsin State official was notified of the proposed issuance of the amendment. The State official had no comments.

### 4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

These amendments change recordkeeping, reporting, or administrative procedures or requirements. Accordingly, the amendments meet the eligibility criteria for categorical exclusion set forth in 10 CFR 51.22(c)(10). Pursuant to 10 CFR 51.22(b) no environmental impact statement or environmental assessment need be prepared in connection with the issuance of these amendments.

### 5.0 CONCLUSION

The staff has concluded, based on the considerations discussed above, that (1) there is reasonable assurance that the health and safety of the public will not be endangered by operation in the proposed manner, (2) such activities will be conducted in compliance with the Commission's regulations, and (3) the issuance of the amendments will not be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public.

Principal Contributor: A. Hansen

Date: July 5, 1995