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Desc: Please provide a copy of all NRC records from November 29, 2001, to date, regarding: (1) The NRC's review of whether Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant should be listed in the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone Column of the Action Matrix pursuant to the Red finding identified in NRC EA-02-031, dated July 12, 2002; and (2) The NRC's review of whether the specified actions associated with the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone Column of the Action Matrix (as identified in Exhibit 5 - ACTION MATRIX, at page E5-1 of NRC Inspection Manual Chapter 0305) should be undertaken for the Red finding identified in NRC EA-02-031, dated July 12, 2002.

FeeCategory: Educational

Expedite_UrgencyToInform: on

Expedite_UrgencyToInformText: Citizens' Utility Board (CUB) is a nonstock, nonprofit organization organized and existing under Wisconsin Statute Chapter 181. CUB's purpose is to promote the health, welfare and prosperity of all the citizens of the state of Wisconsin by ensuring effective and democratic representation of individual residential utility consumers before regulatory agencies, the legislature and other public bodies and by providing consumer education on utility issues. CUB provides information to its membership of approximately 9,000 through newsletters, its website at www.wiscub.org, and through the media. Because the NRC has made a Red finding, i.e., a finding of high importance to safety, regarding the operation of the Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant, on July 12, 2002, in NRC EA-02-031, CUB believes that it is necessary to inform its membership and the public regarding the NRC's activity regarding the Red finding and the NRC's review of how to further act fol!

! lowing its determination of the Red finding.

Waiver_Purpose: CUB will use the requested information to inform its membership and the public of the NRC's actions regarding its determination of a Red finding at the Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant on July 12, 2002. CUB will provide the information at no cost to its membership and the public through the issuance of newsletters or by placing the information on its website.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: CUB will review the records provided in order to understand the process the NRC followed in its determination to issue a Red finding to the Point Beach Nuclear Power Plant but to not list Point Beach in the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone of the Action Matrix and to determine what, if any, response and communication activities listed within the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone Column were undertaken as a result of the NRC's determination of a Red finding for Point Beach on July 12, 2002.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: The content of the records will be used in an attempt to explain to CUB's membership and the public why, despite the NRC's July 12, 2002 Red finding which has "high" importance to safety, the NRC has not listed (as of the 3Q/2002 ROP Action Matrix Summary) Point Beach in the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone Column. CUB regularly provides information to its membership, to the public, and to regulatory agencies regarding the activities of public utilities operating nuclear power plants and regarding the effects of regulatory action or inaction regarding utility activities. I am the Research Director for CUB and have analyzed regulatory documents and records since 1990. CUB has the ability to analyze the records requested and to summarize the contents of those records in a way that should lead to an increased public understanding of the review process the NRC engaged in as it determined what response column to place Point Beach within as a

! consequence of the Red finding.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: The impact on the public's understanding of the subject should be greatly improved in comparison to the public's existing understanding. There is uncertainty within CUB, and presumably within the public, regarding why the NRC, at least through the 3Q/2002 ROP Action Matrix Summary, has yet to list Point Beach in the Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone Column in spite of the NRC's July 12, 2002 Red finding, which should have caused Point Beach to be listed in the column. This uncertainty exists despite the fact that the NRC is reviewing Nuclear Management Company's request that the events leading to the Red finding be treated as an "old design issue."

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: CUB's membership is approximately 9,000, primarily citizens of Wisconsin. CUB's membership will be informed through a CUB newsletter or through the posting of CUB's review of the requested NRC records on CUB's website. Additionally, dependent on the information provided in response to the records requested, CUB may provide a summary of the information to the Wisconsin media.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: The summarized information will be disseminated to the general public through its posting on the CUB website and/or through media outlets that CUB frequently uses.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: Public access to the information will be free of charge.

Waiver_PrivateCommericalInterest: There is no commerical or private interest that myself or CUB has in the agency records sought.

SUBMIT: Submit
