

October 22, 2003

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SUBJECT: POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT  
NRC LICENSE EXAMINATION REPORT 05000266/2003301(DRS);  
05000301/2003301(DRS)

Dear Mr. Cavia:

On October 3, 2003, the NRC completed initial operator licensing examinations at your Point Beach Nuclear Power Station. The enclosed report presents the results of the examination.

The NRC examiners administered initial license examination operating tests during the week of September 29, 2003, for one reactor operator and five senior reactor operator applicants. Members of the Point Beach Nuclear Plant Training Department administered an initial license written examination on October 3, 2003, to the applicants. The results of the operating tests and written examinations were finalized on October 17, 2003. All applicants passed all sections of their corresponding examinations and were issued their respective licenses.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this examination.

Sincerely,

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Roger D. Lanksbury, Chief  
Operations Branch  
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos. 50-266; 50-301  
License Nos. DPR-24; DPR-27

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Report 05000266/2003301(DRS);  
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2. Simulation Facility Report  
3. Written Examination and Answer Key (RO)  
4. Written Examination and Answer Key (SRO)

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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

REGION III

Docket Nos: 50-266; 50-301  
License Nos: DPR-24; DPR-27

Report No: 05000266/2003301(DRS); 05000301/2003301(DRS)

Licensee: Nuclear Management Company, LLC

Facility: Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 & 2

Location: 6610 Nuclear Road  
Two Rivers, WI 54241-9516

Dates: September 29 through October 3, 2003

Examiners: M. Bielby, Chief Examiner  
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Operations Branch  
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure 1

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

ER 05000266/2003301(DRS), ER 05000266/2003301(DRS); 09/29/03-10/03/03; Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2; Initial License Examination Report.

The announced operator licensing initial examination was conducted by regional examiners in accordance with the guidance of NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Draft Revision 9.

### Examination Summary:

Five applicants were administered senior reactor operator license examinations and one applicant was administered a reactor operator license examination. All six applicants passed all portions of their respective examinations and were awarded senior reactor operator and reactor operator licenses as appropriate. (Section 4OA5.1)

## **REPORT DETAILS**

### **4. OTHER ACTIVITIES (OA)**

#### 4OA5 Other

##### .1 Initial Licensing Examinations

###### a. Inspection Scope

The NRC examiners conducted announced operator licensing initial examinations during the period of September 29 through October 3, 2003. The facility licensee's training staff used the guidance prescribed in NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors," Draft Revision 9, to prepare the outline and develop the written examination and operating test. The examiners administered the operating test, consisting of job performance measures and dynamic simulator scenarios, during the period of September 29 through October 2, 2003. The facility licensee administered the written examination on October 3, 2003. Five senior reactor operator applicants and one reactor operator applicant received written examinations and operating tests.

###### b. Findings

###### Written Examination

The NRC examiners determined that the written examination, as originally submitted by the licensee, was within the range of acceptability expected for a proposed examination. All changes made to the submitted examination were made in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." The licensee had no post examination comments on the written examination.

###### Operating Test

The NRC examiners determined that the operating test, as originally submitted by the licensee, was within the range of acceptability expected for a proposed examination. All changes made to the submitted examination were made in accordance with NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors."

###### Examination Results

All applicants passed all portions of their examinations and were issued respective operator licenses.

.2 Examination Security

a. Inspection Scope

The examiners reviewed and observed the licensee's implementation and controls of examination security during the examination preparation and administration.

b. Findings

The licensee's implementation of examination security requirements during examination preparation and administration were acceptable and met the guidelines provided in NUREG-1021, "Operator Licensing Examination Standards for Power Reactors." No violations of 10 CFR 55.49 occurred during the examination preparation and administration.

4OA6 Meetings

Exit Meeting

The chief examiner presented the examination team's preliminary observations and findings to Mr. Schoon and other members of the licensee management on October 3, 2003. No proprietary items were identified during the administration of the examination nor during the exit meeting with the licensee. The licensee acknowledged the observations and findings presented.

ATTACHMENT: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION



## **SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

### **KEY POINTS OF CONTACT**

#### Licensee

D. Schoon, Operations Manager  
R. Scott, Acting Regulatory Affairs Manager  
C. Sizemore, Training Supervisor/Manager  
P. Smith, Operations Training Supervisor  
P. Short, Operations Senior Instructor  
C. Hill, Shift Manager  
K. Locke, Regulatory Specialist

### **ITEMS OPENED, CLOSED AND DISCUSSED**

#### Opened

None

#### Closed

None

#### Discussed

None

### **LIST OF ACRONYMS**

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CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
DRS	Division of Reactor Safety
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
PARS	Publicly Available Records
RO	Reactor Operator
SRO	Senior Reactor Operator

## SIMULATION FACILITY REPORT

Facility Licensee: Point Beach Nuclear Power Station

Facility Licensee Docket Nos. 50-266; 50-301

Operating Tests Administered: September 29 - October 2, 2003

The following documents observations made by the NRC examination team during the initial operator license examination. These observations do not constitute audit or inspection findings and are not, without further verification and review, indicative of non-compliance with 10 CFR 55.45(b). These observations do not affect NRC certification or approval of the simulation facility other than to provide information which may be used in future evaluations. No licensee action is required in response to these observations.

During the conduct of the simulator portion of the operating tests, the following items were observed:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
None	

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WRITTEN EXAMINATION AND ANSWER KEY (SRO)

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