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To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing in support of the We Energies' Point Beach license renewal application. As a university, we employ over 350 workers and have a resident base of over 1,000 students in the Mequon area. As economic and environmental issues continue to be in the forefront of today's electric power needs, we believe the success of our organization is greatly dependent on the continued cooperation of affordable and reliable nuclear energy.

With the energy demand in Wisconsin continuing to grow at a steady rate of 2.5 to 3 percent, it is critical to our organization that We Energies continue to meet our energy needs by utilizing the most economical and responsible energy sources available. As planning continues for meeting future energy needs, I believe that the energy produced at Point Beach Nuclear Plant must remain a part of the state's balanced energy portfolio.

In the past, we have enjoyed affordable energy rates in Wisconsin which has allowed our university to meet our students' needs and to expand our operations over the years. If nuclear power is no longer part of that energy mix, businesses throughout the state will be faced with serious economic issues and the potential for new businesses coming into the area will be limited.

Please consider these comments and the important role nuclear power plays in the success of our university and the success of the state's economy. Thank you for this opportunity to participate in this needed process.

Sincerely,

Allen J. Prochnow

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