

PRIORITY ATTENTION REQUIRED MORNING REPORT - REGION III**Morning Report Date: DEC 13, 2005****Licensee/Facility:**

NUCLEAR MANAGEMENT CO., LLC
Point Beach
Two Rivers, Wisconsin
Dockets: 050-00266
[1] W-2-LP

Notification:

MR Number: 3-2005-0023
Date: 12/13/2005
Call from Licensee

Subject: Manual Trip of Reactor

Discussion:

At 3:39 a.m., control room operators manually tripped Unit 1 when main condenser vacuum began to decrease rapidly. Loss of vacuum would have resulted in an automatic reactor trip had the operators not manually tripped the reactor. The decrease in vacuum was caused by the failure of a running circulating water pump. The initial evaluation indicated a failure of the coupling between the pump and motor. The licensee is developing plans to evaluate the cause of the failure and repair the coupling. Plant equipment responded as designed to the trip.

Regional Action: The resident inspectors are following the licensee's evaluation of the cause of the coupling failure.

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