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June 8, 2011

Mr. Larry Meyer
Site Vice President
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6610 Nuclear Road
Two Rivers, WI 54241-9516

SUBJECT: POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2 - REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST
FOR APPROVAL OF CYBER SECURITY PLAN (TAC NOS. ME4248 AND
ME4249)

Dear Mr. Meyer:

By letter dated July 8, 2010, as supplemented by letters dated September 28, 2010, November 12, 2010, November 23, 2010, and March 31, 2011, NextEra Energy Point Beach, LLC, submitted a license amendment request for Point Beach, Units 1 and 2. The proposed amendments requested approval of the Point Beach Cyber Security Plan.

The NRC staff is reviewing your submittals and has determined that additional information is needed to complete its review. The specific question is found in the enclosed request for additional information (RAI). It is requested that your RAI response be provided within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry A. Beltz", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Terry A. Beltz, Senior Project Manager
Plant Licensing Branch 3-1
Division of Operating Reactor Licensing
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket Nos. 50-266 and 50-301

Enclosure:
Request for Additional Information

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REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
REGARDING LICENSE AMENDMENT REQUEST FOR
APPROVAL OF THE CYBER SECURITY PLAN
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT NOS. 1 AND 2
DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301

The requirements of 10 CFR 73.54(a) are that each licensee subject to the requirements of this section shall provide high assurance that digital computer and communication systems and networks are adequately protected against cyber attacks, up to and including the design basis threat as described in Section 73.1. Furthermore, 10 CFR 73.54(a)(1) states that the licensee shall protect digital computer and communication systems and networks associated with: (i) safety-related and important-to-safety functions; (ii) security functions; (iii) emergency preparedness functions, including offsite communications; and (iv) support systems and equipment that, if compromised, would adversely impact safety, security, or emergency preparedness functions.

Section 3.0 of Enclosure 1 to the cyber security plan, Evaluation of Proposed Change, includes clarifications to the Nuclear Energy Institute 08-09 Cyber Security Plan template with regard to Emergency Preparedness and states, "Therefore, the systems and portions of systems to be protected from cyber attack in accordance with 10 CFR 73.54(a)(1)(iii), must: (1) Perform a RSPS [Risk Significant Planning Standards]-related EP [emergency preparedness] function, and (2) Be within the licensee's complete custody and control."

The rule clearly states that digital computer and communication systems and networks associated with emergency preparedness functions, including offsite communications, shall be adequately protected against cyber attacks. For systems and networks that are not within the licensee's complete custody and control, the licensee is still required to ensure protection against cyber attacks.

Explain NextEra Energy Point Beach's deviation from the 10 CFR 73.54(a)(1).

ENCLOSURE

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