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Modification to Proposed Reactor Vessel Surveillance
Capsule Withdrawal Schedule

Reference: 1. Letter from D. C. Hintz (WPSC) to NRC Document Control Desk
dated January 26, 1987

By letter dated January 26, 1987 (reference 1), Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) informed NRC of the proposed reactor vessel surveillance capsule withdrawal schedule for the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP). This letter is to inform NRC of a modification to the proposed withdrawal schedule.

KNPP's withdrawal schedule specifies that surveillance capsule T be removed following 11 effective full power years (EFPY) of operation. This corresponds to removal of capsule T during KNPP's 13-year refueling outage, currently in progress.

Attempts to remove capsule T during the outage were unsuccessful. The capsule is lodged in its holding baskets and attempts to dislodge it were discontinued after the maximum force advised by Westinghouse was applied unsuccessfully.

Following evaluation of the locations of the remaining capsules and their corresponding lead factors, it was decided to remove capsule P instead of capsule T. Capsule P was successfully removed and is presently awaiting shipment for analysis. The capsules are identical in composition and are located in the reactor such that their lead factors are equal. Capsule P had been scheduled for removal following 17 EFPY of operation.

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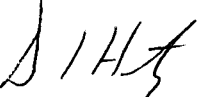
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Because of the similarities between capsule T and capsule P, this modification to KNPP's surveillance capsule withdrawal schedule will not interfere with the fulfillment of the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix H. Following analysis of capsule P, WPSC will inform NRC of any further modifications to KNPP's capsule withdrawal schedule and the possibility of future removal of capsule T.

Sincerely,



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