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Proposed Amendment 142a to the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant Technical Specifications:
F*/EF* Steam Generator Tubesheet Region Alternate Repair Criteria

Reference: Letter from C.R. Steinhardt (WPSC) to Document Control Desk (NRC) dated July 3, 1996.

On July 3, 1996, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) submitted a Technical Specification (TS) amendment request to revise the acceptance criteria for indications of tube degradation occurring in the tubesheet crevice region of the Kewaunee steam generators (SG). Based on subsequent discussions with the NRC staff, minor administrative changes are required to clarify some of the points in the proposed TS. The following revisions are being proposed:

- Throughout the proposed TS the wording on NDE uncertainty is being revised to state, "plus an allowance for NDE uncertainty,"
- The definition of EF* Distance is being revised to clarify that the distance applies from the bottom of the uppermost roll transition,
- The definition of EF* Tube is being revised to correct an administrative error,
- Proposed TS 4.2.b.2.d is being revised to delete the statement "or until it is determined that the identified degradation has ceased," and
- The basis section has been revised to define the NDE uncertainty value that will be used in conjunction with determining the minimum F* and EF* length.

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Pages TS 4.2-3, 4.2-4, 4.2-8 and B4.2-5 are affected by this change and are included as Attachment 1. These changes do not alter the previously submitted safety evaluation or significant hazards determination.

In accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.36(b), this submittal has been signed and notarized. A copy of this submittal has been transmitted to the State of Wisconsin as required by 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1). Please feel free to contact a member of my staff if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,



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