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Ladies/Gentlemen:

Docket 50-305
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Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant
Proposed Amendment 153a to the Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant
Technical Specifications - Reduction in Reactor Coolant Specific Activity Limits

References:

- 1) NRC Generic Letter 95-05: "Voltage-Based Repair Criteria for Westinghouse Steam Generator Tubes Affected by Outside Diameter Stress Corrosion Cracking," dated August 3, 1995.
- 2) Letter from R.J. Laufer (NRC) to M.L. Marchi (WPSC), dated September 11, 1996.
- 3) Letter from C.R. Steinhardt (WPSC) to Document Control Desk, dated April 8, 1998.

On April 8, 1998, (reference 3) Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) submitted a Technical Specification amendment request to reduce allowable reactor coolant system (RCS) specific activity from 1.0 μ Ci/gram to 0.35 μ Ci/gram dose equivalent I-131. Subsequent to the reference 3 submittal, there were additional discussions between the NRC staff and WPSC on the methodology for calculating the maximum allowable primary to secondary leak rate during a main steam line break event. Due to these discussions, WPSC is revising the reduced value of RCS specific activity limit given in the reference 3 submittal from 0.35 μ Ci/gram to 0.20 μ Ci/gram dose equivalent I-131. Therefore, this revision to the proposed amendment requests a reduction in RCS specific activity from 1.0 μ Ci/gram to 0.20 μ Ci/gram dose equivalent I-131. This revision affects the proposed amendment text in that the numerical values for iodine specific activity, projected maximum allowable primary to secondary leak rate, and full power specific activity limit have changed. Changes in inputs and results of the Westinghouse calculation are reflected in Attachment 4. This revision does not affect the conclusion of the safety evaluation, the no significant hazards determination, or the environmental considerations assessment.

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As with the original proposed amendment submittal (reference 3), this revision of the proposed amendment affects TS section 3.1.c and its related bases sections. Bases pages for sections 3.4.d (secondary coolant activity) and section 4.2.b (Steam generator tubes) are also affected. Table TS 4.1-2 is also being revised to correct an oversight of an earlier TS change. Administrative changes to bases pages B3.1-8 through B3.1-14 are being made due to a misnumbered footnote. Attachment 1 contains an introduction, a description of the proposed changes, a safety evaluation, significant hazards determination, and environmental considerations. Attachment 2 and 3 contain the affected TS pages. Attachment 4 contains a summary of key parameters of the evaluation that determined the limiting primary to secondary leak rate.

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 contact a member of my staff if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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