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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attention: Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Ladies/Gentlemen:

Docket 50-305
Operating License DPR-43
Kewaunee Nuclear Power Plant
Emergency Core Cooling System (ECCS) Evaluation Model

On February 27, 1998, Westinghouse Electric Corporation provided Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) with the 10 CFR 50.46 reporting of changes to the Emergency Core Cooling Evaluation Model for calendar year 1997. WPSC has reviewed the changes and determined that the estimated cumulative impact of the changes to the Large Break Loss-of-Coolant (LBLOCA) Evaluation Model (EM) peak cladding temperature (PCT) is greater than 50°F, and therefore, is reportable within 30 days pursuant to 10 CFR 50.46(a)(3)(ii). The current analysis of record has a PCT of 2009°F. The changes result in a revised Appendix peak clad temperature of 2112°F, thus continuing to meet the 50.46 acceptance criterion of less than 2200°F.

The Westinghouse notification identified four changes that impacted the LBLOCA EM. They are described below with their estimated PCT impact:

- 1) An evaluation concluded that locking the reactor coolant pump rotors at the start of the reflood is more limiting. (+29°F)
- 2) A model correction was made to not double count the contribution of the vapor phase to the transition boiling heat flux. (-76°F)
- 3) A model change was made to use correct cell height (i.e., DX) in determining gap flow wall friction and interfacial drag coefficients. (+108°F)
- 4) Model revisions were made to ensure that data input and data transfer methods were consistent for all SECY UPI Appendix K analyses. (+42°F)

WPSC understands that Westinghouse has reported these changes to the NRC (reference NSD-NRC-98-5575).

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WPSC is currently performing a new analysis of the LBLOCA to support a license amendment that reflects implementation of a revised fuel assembly design and higher core peaking factors. This evaluation will use the revised Westinghouse model incorporating the above detailed changes. The results of the evaluation are scheduled to be submitted to the NRC in the second quarter of calendar year 1998.

If you require any additional information or have questions concerning this transmittal, please contact a member of my staff.

Sincerely,

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