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Dear Mr. Fay:

SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO NRC BULLETIN 88-04 (TAC NOS. 69956
AND 69957)

On May 5, 1988, the NRC staff issued NRC Bulletin 88-04, "Potential Safety-Related Pump Loss." The bulletin requested the evaluation of all safety-related pumps for 1) pump-to-pump interaction during mini-flow operation that could result in dead-heading of one or more of the pumps, and 2) the adequacy of the minimum flow bypass lines with respect to damage resulting from operation and testing in the minimum flow mode. The bulletin also requested that within 60 days of receipt of the bulletin, licensees provide a written response that (a) summarizes the problems and the systems affected, (b) identifies the short-term and long-term modifications to plant operating procedures or hardware that have been or are being implemented to ensure safe plant operations, (c) identifies an appropriate schedule for long-term resolution of this and/or other significant problems that are identified as a result of this bulletin, and (d) provides justification for continued operation particularly with regard to General Design Criterion 35 of Appendix A to Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations (10 CFR Part 50), "Emergency Core Cooling" and 10 CFR 50.46, "Acceptance Criteria for Emergency Core Cooling Systems for Light Water Nuclear Power Reactors." Additionally, the staff requested that within 30 days of completion of the long-term resolution actions, licensees provide a written response describing the actions taken.

By letter dated June 28, 1988, you responded to Bulletin 88-04. Your response provided the information requested in a, b, c, and d above. No additional information is required at this time. The staff notes

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that the necessary modifications are scheduled to be completed during the Point Beach Units 1 and 2 refueling outages in 1991. The staff awaits your description of the long-term resolution actions, which is due within 30 days of completion of those actions.

Sincerely,

/s/

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