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Mr. Harold R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. D. G. Eisenhut, Acting Director Division of Operating Reactors

Gentlemen:

DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301 GUIDELINES OF CONTAINMENT PURGE VALVE OPERABILITY POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT UNITS 1 AND 2

On October 25, 1979 we received your letter dated September 27, 1979 regarding guidelines for operability of containment purging and venting valves during normal operation. Your letter requested that we commit to implement a valve qualification program on an expedited basis.

As discussed in our letter to you dated September 7, 1979, we have already contracted with consultants to conduct studies and analyses of potential modifications to the containment purge valves at our Point Beach Nuclear Plant. We shall include consideration of these guidelines for valve qualification programs in our evaluations of modifications for improved purge valve reliability.

Very truly yours,

C. W. Fay, Director Nuclear Power Department

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