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Mr. John Ahearne Chairman U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Ahearne:

The Wisconsin Public Service Commission believes that state agency personnel need ready access to a complete set of information on Wisconsin nuclear power plants. No state official or combination of officials presently receives copies of the information which is sent to a Local Public Document Room. A copy of NRC license changes is sent to the PSC. Utility operating reports are sent to the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services. Both agencies and the University of Wisconsin Engineering Library receive NUREG reports and various regulatory guides. No one receives copies of all utility correspondence relating to these units or copies of the inspection or abnormal occurrence reports.

In addition to routine questions about power plant operation, permits and status, state agency personnel will review the replacement of steam generators at Point Beach 1 in 1981 or 1982 and the decommissioning of the (Genoa) La Crosse BWR in about 1990. Lack of ready access to a complete set of information on these units will hamper review and assessment of the proposed actions.

The Kurt F. Wendt Library, University of Wisconsin College of Engineering, has agreed to house documents related to Point Beach. Ms. Jean A. Gilbertson (608/262-6845) may be contacted to confirm this. The Madison Public Library is willing to house documents related to the La Crosse BWR. Ms. Vivian Sweet (608/266-6310) may be contacted. Where either library receives NUREG documents routinely, duplication might be avoided by establishing a partial LPDR collection (e.g., omitting NUREG publications). In both cases, the collection should include material previously sent (i.e., be a retrospective and prospective collection .

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Therefore we request the establishment of Local Public Document Room collections in Madison for at least the Point Beach and La Crosse plants. This request should not be interpreted as a request to move the existing document rooms to Madison. This is a request for establishment of new collections in Madison that can be used by state agency personnel, members of the state legislature and the public.

Sincerely

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