



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

February 13, 1981

Docket Nos. 50-266  
and 50-301

Mr. Sol Burstein  
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Dear Mr. Burstein:

In your letter dated January 20, 1981 you requested extensions of completion dates for implementation of fire protection system modifications at Point Beach Nuclear Plant. Specifically, you requested that installation of emergency diesel generator remote panels and fire detectors be extended until November 17, 1981.

You indicated that you have been unable to meet the August 2, 1980 implementation date for installation of emergency diesel generator remote panels due to extended equipment delivery dates, the quoted delivery date being June, 1981. You further indicated that all design and purchasing efforts have been completed for this modification and that you will complete installation of this modification at the earliest opportunity following receipt of materials consistent with the Technical Specification limits for removing a diesel generator from service.

In support of your request for extension you indicated the following:

The need for the remote diesel generator panels is based upon a postulated fire in the control room. Control room fire protection has been enhanced by modification of carbon dioxide extinguishing system nozzles, replacement of light fixture diffusers, addition of portable fire extinguishers, addition of a smoke vent system and upgrading of control room floor penetrations.

Based on the foregoing, we conclude that you have shown good cause for extending the completion date for installation of the emergency diesel generator remote panels until November 17, 1981 and that the public health and safety would not be adversely affected by such an extension.

Accordingly, pursuant to 10 CFR 50.48(d), the date for installation of the emergency diesel generator remote panels is hereby extended to November 17, 1981.

A copy of the related Notice of Extension, which is being forwarded to the Office of the Federal Register for publication, is enclosed.

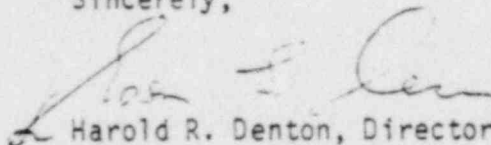
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We have also completed our review of your request for extension of the completion date for installation of fire detectors at Point Beach. We feel this request is unnecessary. This fire protection system modification was approved in a Fire Protection Safety Evaluation Report (SER) supplement issued October 21, 1980. In accordance with paragraph (d)(2) of 10 CFR 50.48, the installation of modifications not requiring plant shutdown is to be implemented within 12 months of the date of the SER approving these modifications. For those modifications requiring plant shutdown the formula in paragraph (d)(3) of 10 CFR 50.48 applies. Installation of fire detectors not requiring plant shutdown must be completed by October 21, 1981. Installation of fire detectors requiring plant shutdown must be completed prior to startup following the first refueling outage, a 60 day or greater planned outage or a 120 day or greater unplanned outage beginning after July 21, 1981 which is anticipated to be the Fall 1981 refueling outage for Unit 1 and the Spring 1982 refueling outage for Unit 2. We understand from our telephone conversation with your staff on February 9, 1981, that you will have no difficulty in meeting these dates.

Consequently, we consider your request for extension of the completion date for fire detector installation to be withdrawn.

Sincerely,



Harold R. Denton, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

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Notice of Extension

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