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In reply, please refer to LAC-7625

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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ATTN: Mr. Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director Division of Licensing Office of Nuclear Reactor Realistion Division of Operating Reactors Washington, D. C. 20555

SUBJECT: DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE

LA CROSSE BOILING WATER REACTOR (LACEWR) PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-45

SEP TOPIC II.4.C

HISTORICAL SEISMICITY WITHIN 200 MILES OF PLANT

REFERENCE: (1) DPC Letter, LAC-7387, Linder to Eisenhut, dated February 27, 1981.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed find Safety Evaluation Report (SER) for Historical Seismicity Within 200 Miles of Plant (SEP-II.4.C) which we have prepared for the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor.

Our letter, Reference 1, identified topics for DPC to submit for NRC evaluation. The subject topics were listed in the schedule submitted with Reference 1.

If there are any questions regarding this letter, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE

Frank Finder /4

Frank Linder, General Manager

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cc - J. G. Keppler, Reg. Dir., NRC-DRO III NRC Resident Inspectors

LA CROSSE BOILING WATER REACTOR

SYSTEMATIC EVALUATION PROGRAM SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT TOPIC 11.4.C HISTORICAL SEISMICITY WITHIN 200 MILES OF PLANT

The safety objective of this topic is to ensure that an accurate depiction of historic seismic events is utilized in determining a Safe Shutdown Earthquake (SSE).

The La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor is located on the eastern shore of the Mississippi River approximately 19 miles south of the City of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

The site is in a tectonically stable area where no earthquakes causing major damage have been experienced during the history of earthquake observation. The Uniform Building Code, 1958 Edition, includes the sice in Zone O (No Damage).

The attached list (Figure 1) relates all historical seismic events within 200 miles of the plant by geographical distance and orientation.

It is noted that no seismic events have occurred within 100 statute miles of the facility. Only 4 seismic events were recorded within 200 miles. The closest of these was in Illinois, approximately 125 statute miles from the plant.

This concludes this SEP Topic review.

FIGURE 1

HISTORIC SEISMICITY - LA CROSSE SITE

date	geographic location	latitude	longitude	distance from site/direction*	magnitude	reference
09-15-1972	Illinois	41.6	89.4	147 mi/213° _T	VI	3,9
11-12-1934	Rock Island, Ill.	41.5	90.5	135 mi/188°T	VI	2,9
05-26-1909	Illinois	42.5	89.0	125 mi/235°T	VII	2,4,7,8
08-24-1804	Fort Dearborn	42.0	87.8	200 mi/240°T		2,6,10

^{*} Statute Miles

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