

October 1, 1981

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

Attention: Mr. Robert A. Clark, Chief Operating Reactors Branch 3

Gentlemen:



DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301 MODIFICATION TO CHANGE REQUEST NO. 55 NON-RADIOLOGICAL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

By letter dated September 21, 1978, Wisconsin Electric Power Company filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission a license amendment application for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Units 1 and 2. The amendment application requested revisions to the Non-Radiological Technical Specifications to delete certain monitoring requirements based on the finding of no significant environmental effects due to operation of the plant. This finding was based on the results of the extensive five-year environmental monitoring program conducted at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant site. On November 4, 1977, the Commission had authorized a temporary suspension of this program pending review of a five-year summary report. This summary report was submitted on July 3, 1978. In the more than three years since this license amendment application was filed, the NRC has taken no action on the Technical Specification changes requested.

Subsequent to this license amendment request, the State of Wisconsin issued on September 28, 1979, Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) Permit No. WI-0000957 for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant site. This permit was modified in accordance with the request of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and revised and reissued on September 30, 1980. A complete copy of the current permit is enclosed.

We believe, in light of this WPDES permit and the monitoring conducted at the plant site to establish conformance with the provisions of this permit, that the Non-Radiological

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Technical Specifications for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant are no longer required. The State of Wisconsin has the authority to specify limits for non-radiological releases from the plant and, thus, assure protection of the aquatic environment. Accordingly, we hereby request, in this modification of our previously submitted license amendment application, deletion of the following Specifications contained in Appendix B to Facility Operating License DPR-24 and DPR-27: 16.2, "Condenser Cooling Water System Temperature Limits"; 16.3, "Chemical Discharge Limits"; and 16.4, "Record Keeping and Monitoring Program for Non-Radiological Parameters". Specification 16.5, "Non-Radiological Environmental Surveillance and Evacuacion Program", should also be deleted as documented in the September 21, 1978 letter. Section 16.1, "Definitions", and the reporting requirements would be revised as indicated on the attached proposed Technical Specification pages to reference the WPDES permit.

Approval of these proposed Technical Specification changes would greatly reduce the duplication of effort now necessary to conform to both the existing Specifications and the requirements of the WPDES permit. We further note that the changes we have requested in this application appear to be consistent with similar licensing action recently taken by the NRC in other dockets. Therefore, we would appreciate your prompt approval and issuance of these changes.

In accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR Part 170.22, an amendment approval fee was provided to the NRC with our original license amendment application in this matter. Since the changes proposed with this letter are a modification of the changes originally proposed and the NRC has not taken any action on that request, no additional license amendment approval fees are required for these changes.

In accordance with the applicable regulations, we have enclosed three signed originals and, under separate cover, forty copies of this modification to a previously filed license amendment application. If you have any questions concerning this submittal, please contact us at once.

Very truly yours,

Executive Vice President

Sol Burstein

Enclosure

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of october, 1981.

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin My Commission expires July 1, 189, Copy to NRC Resident Inspector