

October 19, 1981

Mr. J. G. Keppler, Regional Director Office of Inspection and Enforcement, Region III U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Dear Mr. Keppler:

DOCKET NOS. 50-266 AND 50-301
RESPONSE TO IE INSPECTION
REPORT NOS. 50-266/81-13 AND 50-301/81-15
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, provided herewith is Licensee's response to that item of noncompliance identified in NRC IE Inspection Report Nos. 50-266/81-13 and 50-301/81-15 dated August 26, 1981.

The item of noncompliance was that, contrary to the requirements of Section 6.3 of the Fire Protection Safety Evaluation Report, on July 8, 1981 an open locker not externally identified as containing flammable agents was located outside primary pipeway No. 1 on the Elevation 8' of the auxiliary building. The locker contained numerous aerosol cans and two open cans of paint thinner.

The locker in question belonged to a contractor involved in backfitting operations. On July 30, 1981, the contractor was informed of this noncompliance and directed to correct this problem under the direction of plant personnel. Interim corrective action consisting of a cleanup of the area and storage of all flammables in closed lockers was performed on July 31, 1981. During the period from August 1 through 24 the contractor remained off site due to labor negotiations. Upon learn to the site, full compliance was achieved on August 31, 1981 after these flammable agents were moved to a designated area and stored in a properly identified locker. Future compliance is accomplished by inspections of this and other areas by both the plant Safety Coordinator and the Fire Protection Supervisor.

Mr. J. G. Keppler -2- October 19, 1981 It is acknowledged that this response is submitted beyond the 30-day limit established in your letter of August 26, 1981. This delay was due in part to staff attention to other regulatory issues. Very truly yours, C. W. Fay, Director Nuclear Power Department Copy to NRC Resident Inspector