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Docket Nos. 50-266; 50-301

Wisconsin Electric Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. R. E. Link  
Vice President  
Nuclear Power  
231 West Michigan Street - P379  
Milwaukee, WI 53201

Dear Mr. Link:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. K. R. Jury and J. Gadzala of this office, from January 19 through February 28, 1994, of activities at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2. Our findings were discussed with Mr. G. J. Maxfield and members of his staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. The first violation is of particular concern because improper maintenance performed on an emergency diesel generator was not identified until that diesel failed while the second diesel was also out of service. This failure left both units without a safety-related source of emergency power for the approximately 5½ hours that emergency diesel G01 was out of service. A second violation is of concern because it involves a degradation of fire protection for the auxiliary feedwater room. However, this violation is not being cited because your efforts in correcting it meet the criteria specified in Section VII.B of the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions", (10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C).

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response.

In addition to the violations, we are concerned that inadequate preparation of your staff for a planned power transient on February 6 resulted in weak response to complications that arose during the evolution. We understand that you are reviewing this event for root cause. We will evaluate the effectiveness of your corrective actions in a future inspection.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Public Law No. 96.511.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection. Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
L. Robert Greger

L. Robert Greger, Chief  
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Enclosure:  
Inspection Reports  
No. 50-266/94002(DRP);  
No. 50-301/94002(DRP)

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