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Docket No. 50-266  
Docket No. 50-301

Wisconsin Electric Power Company  
ATTN: Mr. C. W. Fay  
Vice President  
Nuclear Power  
231 West Michigan Street - P379  
Milwaukee, WI 53201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. C. L. Vanderniet and J. Gadzala of this office, from October 16 through December 2 1990, of activities at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant Units 1 and 2, authorized by NRC Operating Licenses No. DPR-24 and DPR-27, and to the discussions of our findings with Mr. N. L. Hoefert and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice. Inadequacies in several procedures caused a loss of reactor vessel water level indication and resulted in operation contrary to procedures. A separate failure to follow procedures resulted in a temporary procedure change not receiving a timely review by the Manager's Supervisory Staff. A written response is required.

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

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

Sincerely,

Richard C. Knop, Chief  
Reactor Projects Branch 3

Enclosure: Inspection Reports  
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