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Docket No. 50-266/DPR-24 Docket No. 50-301/DPR-27

Wisconsin Electric Power Company ATTN: Mr. James J. Zach Vice President Nuclear Power 231 West Michigan Street - P379 Milwaukee, WI 53201

SUBJECT: POINT BEACH NUCLEAR FLANT OPERATIONAL SAFETY TEAM INSPECTION (50-266/92002; 50-301/92002)

Dear Mr. Zach:

This letter forwards the inspection report of the subject Operational Safety Team Inspection (OSTI) conducted by Messers. B. Jorgensen, R. Pulsifer, T. Kobetz, K. Jury, and Mrs. S. Burgess from January 6 through 10, 1992. The activities involved are authorized by NRC Operating Licenses No. DPR-24 and DPR-27. At the conclusion of the inspection, the team discussed the findings with Messrs. Maxfield and Lipke and other members of your staff identified in Appendix A to the enclosed inspection report.

This inspection was performed as part of our efforts to monitor and evaluate performance at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant since the end of the last Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) assessment period (SALP 8 - April 1, 1989, through August 31, 1990). The primary emphases of the inspection were in the areas of Operations, Maintenance, Engineering & Technical Support, and Safety Assessment/Quality Verification. There was some inspection focus on management communication and monitoring of conformance to performance expectations and on worker communication and possible compensation for degraded plant conditions.

The inspection determined that the activities inspected were being accomplished effectively, but a heavy reliance was being placed on the skills of limited staff, communication of expectations and monitoring of performance were often informal, and plans to formalize and strengthen several areas had prolonged implementation schedules.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

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

We will gladly discuss any questions you may have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Original signed by: Brent Clayton

Edward G. Greenman, Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures: Inspection Reports No. 50-266/92002; No. 50-301/92002

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