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Ladies/Gentlemen:

DOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-301
COMMITMENT TO GENERIC LETTER 95-07 REQUESTED ACTIONS
PRESSURE LOCKING AND THERMAL BINDING OF
SAFETY-RELATED POWER OPERATED GATE VALVES
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

On August 17, 1995, the NRC issued Generic Letter (GL) 95-07, "Pressure Locking and Thermal Binding of Safety-Related Power-Operated Gate Valves." The GL requested that licensees perform various evaluations and/or actions with respect to these valves within a 90-day and 180-day schedule. We submitted our 60-day required response to GL 95-07 on October 9, 1995. The response discussed our participation in an industry-wide effort to resolve the pressure locking and thermal binding issue, previously completed efforts, and proposed to complete all required GL 95-07 action within 180 days.

On November 3, 1995, the NRC replied to our 60-day GL response. The reply stated that we had not provided an adequate safety basis for determining the acceptability of our proposed alternative course of action, and that we had not been fully responsive to the GL 90-day requested actions. Based on this, we were requested to commit to the 90-day actions of the Generic Letter.

We intend to meet both the 90-day and 180-day Generic Letter requested actions within the specified time periods for the power-operated gate valves included in the scope of GL 95-07.

We have completed the screening evaluations of operational and test configurations of all safety-related power-operated gate valves. We have also documented the operability basis

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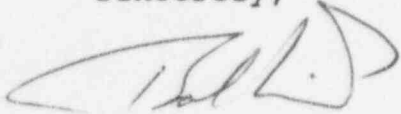
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for those valves identified as potentially susceptible to pressure locking or thermal binding. These operability basis documentations were completed by the required 90-day date.

We are also aware of the various industry information concerning power-operated gate valve pressure locking and thermal binding. We have been, and intend to continue, tracking and evaluating this information for a significant period of time, and have applied plant-specific resolutions where necessary. Additionally, we will continue as a member of the current Westinghouse Owner's Group (WOG) project addressing this issue, since we believe it to be beneficial to both WOG members and the NRC to develop consistent and effective resolutions to this important issue.

Please contact us if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,



Bob Link
Vice President
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cc: NRC Resident Inspector
NRC Regional Administrator, Region III

Subscribed and sworn before me on
this 13th day of November 1995.


Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My commission expires 10/27/96.