

September 7, 1984

Mr. H. R. Denton, Director Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION Washington, D. C. 20555

Attention: Mr. J. R. Miller, Chief

Operating Reactors, Branch 3

Gentlemen:

MODIFICATION TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CHANGE REQUEST NO. 79

FIRE PROTECTION MODIFICATIONS

POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2

Together with a letter dated April 13, 1984, Wisconsin Electric Power Company, licensee for the Point Beach Nuclear Plant, submitted a license amendments application to incorporate revisions to those plant Technical Specifications addressing fire protection and detection systems. The April 13 letter was a modification to the Technical Specifications proposed with our letter dated April 19, 1983.

Included with the proposed Technical Specification pages enclosed with our April 13 letter was Table 15.3.14-1, "Safe Shutdown Area Fire Protection". Attached we have provided a revision to that proposed table. The purpose of this revision is to include the water sprinkler system fire protection which is being added by plant modification to portions of the eight-foot elevation of the auxiliary building north and south. It is requested that this revised table be reviewed and considered together with our previously proposed Technical Specifications in this matter.

As discussed in the April 13 letter, some of the fire protection systems addressed by the proposed Technical Specifications are not yet operable. The water sprinkler system in the auxiliary building north and south is presently being installed (or scheduled for installation) and, thus, we would request you notify us prior to issuance of these amendments so that we may establish a schedule for the effective date of the specifications.

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We have reviewed the requirements of 10 CFR 50.91 in relation to this revision to Table 15.3.14-1. Since this proposed change involves an addition to the specification, we have concluded, based on the guidance provided by the NRC at 48 Federal Register 14870, that this change does not involve a significant hazards consideration.

Enclosed are three signed originals and forty copies of this modification to our application. Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this material.

Very truly yours,

Vice President-Nuclear Power

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Enclosure

Copies to NRC Resident Inspector C. F. Riederer, PSCW

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of September 1984.

Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My Commission expires 6-12-88.