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Gentlemen:

SOCKETS 50-266 AND 50-364
NRC BULLETIN 92-01
FAILURE OF THERMO-LAG 330 FIRE BARRIER SYSTEM
TO MAINTAIN CABLING IN WIDE CABLE TRAYS AND
SMALL CONDUITS FREE FROM FIRE DAMAGE
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANTS, UNITS 1 and 2

NRC Bulletin 92-01, "Failure of Thermo-Lag 330 Fire Barrier System to Maintain Cabling in Wide Cable Trays and Small Conduits Free from Fire Damage," dated June 24, 1992, requires each licensee to provide a written response stating whether it has or does not have Thermo-Lag 330 fire barriers installed in its facilities.

Wisconsin Electric does not have Thermo-Lag 330 fire barrier systems installed at its Point Beach Nuclear Plant facilities. This Bulletin is, therefore, not directly applicable to Point Beach Nuclear Plant.

INTERAM, which is a one-hour fire-rated barrier system manufactured by 3M, has been installed at Point Beach to provide separation between redundant shutdown trains to meet the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix R, Section III.G.2, "Fire Protection of Safe Shutdown Capability". To ensure that INTERAM materials do not have problems similar to those found with Thermo-Lag 330 materials, we have evaluated the applicability of the NRC Information Notices referenced in NRC Bulletin 92-01 regarding Thermo-Lag 330 materials to INTERAM. Based on the manufacturer's information and our reviews, the INTERAM fire barrier system is capable of performing its intended function at Point Beach.

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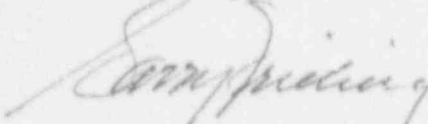
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If there are any questions regarding this matter, please do not
hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



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Manager - Nuclear Engineering

Copies to NRC Regional Administrator - Region III
NRC Resident Inspector

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 21st day of July, 1991.

Delores B Gnyzkowski
Notary Public, State of Wisconsin

My Commission expires 5-22-94.