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Docket No. 50-266

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SUBJECT: POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT 1 - SECOND 10-YEAR INTERVAL INSERVICE INSPECTION REQUEST FOR RELIEF (TAC M82632)

Dear Mr. Link:

By letter dated December 19, 1991, Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WEPCo) submitted 11 relief requests for Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 1. You had determined that the requirements in Section XI of the ASME Code (the Code) for certain examinations were impractical to perform during the Second 10-Year Interval Inservice Program for Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 1. The second 10-year interval ended on December 20, 1990. Your letter provided the basis for your determination of the impracticality of the 11 Code requirements in accordance with Title 10 CFR Section 50.55a(g)(5)(iv). With the assistance of the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, we have completed our review and evaluation of your determinations and the associated relief requests.

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.55a(g)(6)(i), we have concluded that the 11 requests are granted providing relief from the Code requirements that were impractical to perform during the second 10-year interval. The granted relief is authorized by law and will not endanger life or property, or the common defense and security and is otherwise in the public interest. This relief has been granted giving due consideration to the burden upon the licensee that could result if the requirements were imposed on the facility. We have further concluded that granting this relief will not significantly reduce the assurance of the plant's structural integrity and safety. The staff's evaluation and conclusions are contained in the enclosed Safety Evaluation.

Sincerely,

original signed by

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