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U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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Dear Mr. Beach:

DOCKET 50-301
RESTART ISSUES UPDATE
POINT BEACH NUCLEAR PLANT, UNIT 2

In our letter dated December 12, 1996, we provided you a list of issues for resolution and other actions to be taken prior to the restart of Point Beach Nuclear Plant, Unit 2. The list contained a description of 81 specific issues for resolution or action. We committed to routinely update you and your staff on our progress and any necessary changes to the restart list. We periodically updated you and your staff on these startup issues during routine meetings held over the past six months. By letter dated June 13, 1997, we formally revised or clarified a number of the original commitments.

We have identified an additional restart issue that requires clarification as follows:

Restart Issue #34:

Original Commitment Description: Prior to leaving cold shutdown, upgrade Unit 2 operations checklists to include requirements for initials, time and date. During the review, verify that the checklists are technically correct.

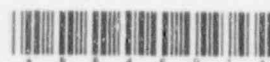
Modified/Clarified Commitment Description: Upgrade Unit 2 operations checklists to include requirements for initials, time and date. During the review, verify that the checklists are technically correct. Checklists shall be upgraded prior to the need for their use during the return of Unit 2 to full power operation.

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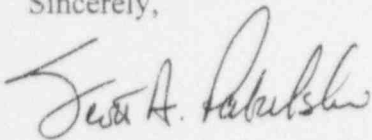
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Reason for Modification or Clarification of Commitment: Operations checklists are typically developed to be performed at specific plant conditions in support of our major operating procedures. In order to effectively schedule the upgrade activity, revise the checklists, conduct necessary reviews and approvals, and issue the revised checklists for use, it is necessary to coordinate the revision of these checklists in parallel with related changes being made to the operating procedures. Accordingly, not all checklists will be revised prior to Unit 2 leaving the cold shutdown condition; however, all checklists will be revised prior to the need for their use during the return of Unit 2 to normal, full power operation.

If you or your staff have any questions or require additional information regarding this clarified restart issue, please contact us.

Sincerely,



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