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La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor
Facility Operating License No. DPR-45
NRC Docket Nos. 50-409 and 72-046

Subject: Request for Extension of Order Approving Transfer of the License for the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor from LaCrosseSolutions, LLC to Dairyland Power Cooperative

References:

- 1) Letter from Barbara Nick (Dairyland Power Cooperative) and Kenneth W. Roebuck (LaCrosseSolutions, LLC), to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Application for Order Approving License Transfer and Conforming Administrative License Amendments," dated June 27, 2018
- 2) Letter from Gerard van Noordennen (LaCrosseSolutions, LLC), to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Supplemental Information Regarding Application for Order Approving License Transfer and Conforming Administrative License Amendments," dated December 3, 2018
- 3) Letter from Marlayna Vaaler, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to John Sauger, EnergySolutions, "Order Approving Transfer of the License for the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor from LaCrosseSolutions, LLC to Dairyland Power Cooperative and Conforming Administrative License Amendment (CAC No. 000083: EPID-L-2018-LNS-0002)," dated September 24, 2019

By letter dated June 27, 2018 (Reference 1), as supplemented by letter dated December 3, 2018 (Reference 2), LaCrosseSolutions, LLC (LS) and Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC) submitted an application requesting U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) consent for the direct transfer of LS's Possession Only License No. DPR-45, for the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR), to DPC. Specifically, LS and DPC requested that the NRC consent to the transfer of LS's NRC-licensed possession, maintenance, and decommissioning authorities back to DPC upon the completion of decommissioning activities at the LACBWR site. LS and DPC also requested approval of a conforming amendment to the license pursuant to 10 CFR 50.80 and 10 CFR 50.90.

Upon completion of its review, the NRC issued an Order providing consent of the proposed license transfer, subject to the condition described in the order, and approval of the conforming license amendment (Enclosure 1 to Reference 3). The Order states, in part, that should the proposed direct license transfer not be completed within one year of the Order's date of issuance, the Order shall become null and void; provided, however, that upon written application and for good cause shown, such date may be extended by order.

The purpose of this letter is to request that the effectiveness of the order approving the transfer of license and conforming amendment be extended six months. The extension would allow sufficient time to complete decommissioning activities.

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There is good cause to extend the existing approval. Final Status Survey Final Reports (FSSRs) and their associated Release Records are currently under review by NRC staff. As a result of current restrictions surrounding the pandemic associated with the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), there is limited access to public facilities, state and federal shelter-in-place orders have been issued, and there are additional risks associated with social interactions. The NRC Staff and LS personnel are working remotely thereby increasing regulatory review times and licensee response times. Based on the current status of the NRC review, it is anticipated that additional time will be needed to address any questions or potential issues identified by the NRC during review of the FSSRs. The extension would allow adequate time for research and response development by LS regarding possible questions or potential issues. In addition, it provides the NRC staff with additional time to assess the responses provided by LS and make a final determination regarding the release of land for unrestricted use.

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.91(b)(1), a copy of this submittal has been sent to the State of Wisconsin.

There are no regulatory commitments made in this submittal. If you should have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact me at (860) 462-9707.

Respectfully,



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