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SUBJECT: NRC RADIATION PROTECTION INSPECTION REPORTS 50-266/98004(DRS);
50-301/98004(DRS)

Dear Mr. Patulski:

On February 6, 1998, the NRC completed an inspection of the radiation protection program at your Point Beach Nuclear Plant. The results of this inspection were discussed on that date with Mr. Cayia and other members of your staff. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

The purpose of the inspection was to review health physics' preparations for the Unit 1 refueling outage, including dose goals, ALARA reviews, work planning, radiation work permit process, and contractor health physics technologist qualifications and training. In addition, several open items from previous inspections were closed or discussed.

The Unit 1 refueling outage appropriately considered health physics requirements and radiological impediments associated with the outage. ALARA reviews were complete and effectively used historical data and lessons learned from previous outages. Contractor health physics technologist qualifications had been reviewed and training was being provided based on those reviews. Our review of several radiological protection open items indicated that effective corrective actions had been implemented; therefore, the items will be closed.

No violations of NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

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We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely

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